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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Defying The UN

ISRAEL'S persistent refusal to evacuate captured Egyptian territory is causing increasing anxiety among many delegations attending the present session of the United Nations. Among the Western powers the chief concern is the resumption of Middle East oil supplies via the pipelines and the reopening of the Suez Canal. Both arteries may be denied the West until Israel fulfills Egypt's demands for a complete evacuation of the Gaza and Akaba Gulf strips and the remaining portions of the Sinai desert still occupied.

Among Middle East nations, particularly those outside the Egypt-Saudi-Syria-Yemen bloc, there is a fear that present tension may deteriorate with Cairo's growing impatience over Israel's refusal to comply with United Nations resolutions. Among many uncommitted nations there is alarm over the fact that the United Nations appears to be powerless to enforce its rulings and that its prestige is suffering in consequence.

OTHER nations notably France and Holland are concerned with the way in which the United Nations is dealing with the problem of Middle East security. The feeling appears to be growing that Israel has been given insufficient guarantees to safeguard its borders against renewed attacks by Arab irregulars. The presence of the United Nations Nations Force along the Sinai-Israeli border may help to mitigate the danger to some extent but Mr David Ben-Gurion sees the need for further assurances.

It needs to be understood in the United Nations that these assurances must be given. Egypt is slow to take the initiative in this respect and a pious declaration from Cairo that "it has no aggressive aims on Israel" should it be offered as a sop to Israeli fears—hardly provides the tangible guarantees that are needed. The United Nations' insistence on compliance with its resolutions first have met with negative responses and it is clear that a new approach is needed.

Mr Hammarskjold has proved peculiarly inelastic in his negotiations with Israel. To ignore the events leading up to the Israeli invasion of Egypt or to draw any wrong conclusion that it had as its object purely territorial aggrandisement is to miss the whole point of the recent action in the Middle East. Essentially this demonstrated British, French and Israeli dissatisfaction with the tepid and dilatory attitude of the United Nations. It would be wrong to believe now that Britain's concern over blocked pipelines and a "hubbub" canal suggests that its confidence in the UN has been restored.

It is a pity that domestic interests must distract the British Government from taking a more positive attitude over a Middle East settlement. But surely Israel's adamant refusal to relinquish its last hold on Egyptian territory suggests that if the dispute is to be settled quickly a more realistic assessment of the situation, taking into consideration not Israel's demands but its frequently expressed fears, is required.

WHAT would be useful between Israel, Egypt and Mr Hammarskjold. Some formal guarantee from Egypt and the United Nations must be given if Israel is to complete its withdrawal. Some less partisan stand by the UN is necessary. It is illogical to regard only Egypt as the aggrieved party. It takes two to make a quarrel and at present one party is being almost entirely ignored.

300 EGYPTIAN OFFICERS BEING COURT-MARTIALLED FOR COWARDICE

From KEITH MORPETH

Beirut, Feb. 6. Scores of Egyptian officers are being court-martialled for cowardice during the Israeli drive into Gaza last October.

A number of senior officers and at least one area commander are among the 300. This eyewitness account of what happened was given me by a reliable diplomatic source.

The Egyptians knew Col Bob Bayard, chairman of the United Nations Mixed Armistice Commission, was in radio contact with three American destroyers lying offshore waiting to take off the United Nations men.

Shortly after four bombs had dropped on Gaza groups of Egyptian officers started turning up at the Armistice Commission headquarters. First they came in two's and three's, then in dozens, then in droves.

What followed was the most humiliating and degrading spectacle imaginable. Many officers went down on their knees. Some were praying. Some had tears streaming down their faces. Quite a few were clutching bundles of notes which they offered to anyone who could get them aboard the American ships.

Col Bayard told the officers it was impossible for him to accept responsibility for them, but said he would do his best to negotiate a local ceasefire, which he subsequently did.

The whole incident was the subject of a highly secret report from United Nations men on the spot to the New York headquarters.

Some of the accused officers have been charged with allowing vital documents to fall into Israeli hands. These included a complete index of every Palestinian Arab recruited into the Fedayeen murder gangs.

Afro-Asian Split Over Algeria

NEW AND Milder Resolution

United Nations, Feb. 6. Eight countries of the Asian-African group have decided to prepare a new resolution on the Algerian question for presentation to the General Assembly's Political Committee, an informed source said today.

The eight countries had refused to sign the resolution supported by 19 other Asian and African countries calling for the recognition of Algeria's right of self-determination and negotiations between France and the Algerian population.

It was understood that their resolution would be very moderately phrased and would be something between the first Asian-African resolution and the procedural resolution being prepared by several Latin American countries.

Although details of the eight-power resolution have not been revealed, the informed source said it would be closer to the Latin-American draft than to the first Asian-African resolution.

The source said the eight-power draft resolution would recall the principles contained in the United Nations charter preamble concerning the rights of man and would merely express the hope that France would find a liberal solution to the Algerian problem.

The new resolution would not mention any right of the Algerian people to self-determination or include requests to France to open negotiations in Algeria with the help of the United Nations, as did the first Asian-African resolution, the sources said.

The eight nations were given as: India, Laos, Cambodia, the Philippines, Japan, Thailand, Ethiopia and Liberia. — France-Press.

HK-TYPE OF TAX FOR SARAWAK?

Singapore, Feb. 7. Imposition of a personal income tax, "somewhat on the Hongkong pattern," is one of the chief recommendations made by Professor T. H. Silcock in a fiscal survey report of Sarawak.

Professor Silcock, of the University of Malaya, undertook the survey at the invitation of the Sarawak government.

Professor Silcock said further educational development is essential for Sarawak's economic progress.

He said the proportion of national income taken in taxation is too low. — Reuter.

BERLIN FOR BONN (As West German Capital) IS AGREED UPON

Bonn, Feb. 6. The West German Bundestag (Lower House) today adopted a resolution declaring Berlin, in the centre of Communist East Germany, to be the German capital.

Only four members voted in opposition.

The Bundestag also adopted two other resolutions—the first calling for an immediate start with the planning and construction of a parliament building for the West German Parliament in West Berlin.

The second recommended that the government should carry out the planning necessary to enable ministries and other federal offices to be moved to Berlin as quickly as possible, and to designate Berlin as the headquarters of any new federal bodies.

The Bundestag was debating a motion by the Social Democrats, the Free Democrats and the refugee bloc—all in opposition—asking the West German government to make it possible for the transfer of federal ministries to West Berlin.

"It's Impossible"

Dr Gerhard Schroeder, the Minister of the Interior, opening the debate said that this was impossible, and that the government would be impaired if it or senior ministries were moved there.

West Berlin, cut off from the rest of West Germany, is dependent on East Germany for road, rail and air communications.

But Dr Gerhard Buerckel, a member of the government Christian Democrat Party said the fact that the Russians had permitted the establishment of the Communist East German government in East Berlin was justification enough for West Germany to transfer at least some government ministries to West Berlin.

Must Take Risk

It was true that some risk for safe passage to and from Berlin was involved in transferring government authorities to West Berlin. "But which policy, does operate without risks?"

Herr Willi Brandt, a Social Democrat, said he and others who had submitted the motion did "not intend to touch the special position of the allies in Berlin." (The city is still formally under four-power occupation.)

But, first of all, what was really meant by the "four-power status" of Berlin, a term which everyone interpreted differently, should be clarified. He said arguments that Berlin was "not safe enough" were not valid. "We trust the guarantees given for Berlin by our Western allies and we can sleep as soundly in Berlin as for instance, in Hamburg or Munich." — Reuter.

7-Point Singapore Talks Agenda

London, Feb. 6. The Colonial Secretary, Mr Alan Lennox-Boyd, today announced an agreed agenda for a Singapore self-government conference.

The following is the agenda: 1. To take note of the items in the constitutional proposals by the United Kingdom government as set out in Appendix 8 of Command Paper 9777, which have already been agreed to in principle.

2. Internal security. 3. External relations and external defence. 4. Designation of Her Majesty's representative in Singapore.

5. Date of coming into force of new constitution. 6. Position of civilian employees in the armed forces. 7. Any other business. — United Press.

Police Among Suspects

Nicosia, Feb. 6. One police inspector, one sergeant and six constables were reported to be among a number of wanted men rounded up in Cyprus in the past four days, it was learned tonight.

Earlier in the day Special Branch police announced the capture of two men for whom they had long been searching—Evangelos Evangelakis and Andreas Charanis. — United Press.

No Withdrawal

Washington, Feb. 6. State Department officials said today the United States was contemplating no withdrawal from either Okinawa or the Bonin Islands in the foreseeable future. — Reuter.

Blunt Reply To Israel

United Nations, Feb. 6. The Secretary General, Mr Dag Hammarskjold, asked Israel today to declare whether it is going to withdraw all forces from the Gaza strip and allow United Nations forces to patrol the armistice line.

Until these answers come from Israel, Mr Hammarskjold said, Israel's statement of conditions for its complete withdrawal from Egypt will receive no further consideration.

A spokesman for Mr Hammarskjold said that this situation developed before the Secretary General saw the Israeli Ambassador, Mr Abba Eban, this evening. A full statement on Mr Hammarskjold's basis of earlier talks and in an obvious reply to the Israeli press statement earlier today declaring its position. — United Press.

Cugat Sued

Los Angeles, Feb. 6. Singer Carmen Castillo filed suit for \$20,000 back alimony yesterday against band leader Xavier Cugat, 58, in Superior Court.

Miss Castillo, 51, was the band leader's first wife. She divorced him in 1946 and received a settlement of a percentage of his income for a minimum of \$250 a week.

Cugat, through attorney Leo Altshuler, admitted that he owed Miss Castillo \$12,000. — The former Mrs Cugat also attached the band leader's \$175,000 Brentwood home, pending action on the suit. The residence is occupied by Cugat and his 25-year-old wife, Abbe Lane. — United Press.

Shipyard Scheme

Birkenhead, Feb. 6. A £17,000,000 sterling plan to modernise the shipyards of Cammell Laird and Company, here, was announced tonight.

US OPPOSED TO INTERFERENCE

United Nations, Feb. 6. The United States is opposed to the Afro-Asian resolution tabled before the Political Committee of the General Assembly, Mr Henry Cabot Lodge, the American delegate, said at the resumed debate on Algeria this afternoon.

He added that the US Government was also opposed to United Nations interference in the internal affairs of member countries.

Mr Lodge said the French plan for a ceasefire, elections, and negotiations constituted progress towards a settlement of the Algerian situation.

SPAIN'S CONCERN

Speaking before Mr Lodge, the Spanish delegate, Jose Felix De Lequerica, recalled Spain's role in Algerian history, and added that Spain remained concerned over the fate of Algeria.

He said Algeria was a Mediterranean problem, a problem of Southern Europe to which France should find a solution.

He quoted from speeches made by the Spanish chief of state, Francisco Franco, stating that it was necessary to find a "new conception" and to settle "the colonial problem within the framework of the Soviet threat."

French delegate, Jacques Soustelle, then took the floor to reply to the delegate of Syria, who had earlier spoken criticism of France. Soustelle said he regretted the Syrian delegate's intemperate utterances which on several occasions had overstepped the generally accepted limits of international courtesy.

Soustelle then recalled the history of Algeria, and of the successive waves of invaders who had occupied North Africa through the centuries.

IRC ACCUSED

Vienna, Feb. 6. The International Red Cross was accused by Radio Budapest today of pursuing anti-Communist and anti-Soviet propaganda in Hungary.

The radio asserted that labels on tinned food distributed in Budapest by the Red Cross carried the slogan "Kill the Russians" in the English, French and German languages.

The radio also alleged that writing under the wrapping of Swiss chocolate bars called for the support of the counter-revolution and for a fight against the Russians. — Reuter.

Actress's Death Believed Suicide

New York, Feb. 6. A slim, blonde Australian actress and dancer died, apparently a suicide, today in her luxurious East Side apartment, police reported.

Doreen Woodbury, 30, died in the arms of an actress friend who had rushed to her apartment at 5 a.m. after a disturbing telephone conversation.

Two small bottles, one empty and one containing pills, were found on a coffee table in the apartment. Police said a note asked that the actress' belongings be sent to her mother, Mr Olive Janet of Chester Hill, New South Wales.

The ash blonde performer had had small roles in several motion pictures and for a time had been the leading dancer on the Jimmy Durante television show. She came to the United States about six years ago, Columbia Pictures said, and to New York, sometime in the last couple of years.

Miss Elizabeth Rose told the police Miss Woodbury called her early this morning and sounded very depressed. She said the dead woman had been under treatment for a liver ailment.

She then became incoherent. Miss Rose gave her some milk and summoned a doctor, who pronounced Miss Woodbury dead when he arrived. The body was taken to Bellevue Hospital morgue for an autopsy. — United Press.

Hanging Bill Passed

London, Feb. 6. A government bill to keep the death penalty for certain types of murder was passed in the House of Commons tonight.

A Labour opposition motion to reject the bill was defeated by 217 votes to 131—a government majority of 86.

The bill, passed without further vote, now goes to the House of Lords for approval before becoming law.

The effect of the bill is to restrict the death penalty in Britain to murder which clearly threatens law and order.

The death penalty will be kept for five types of murder: 1. Murder committed in the course of theft.

2. In resisting, avoiding or escaping from arrest.

3. Murder of policemen or prison officers.

4. Murders by shooting or causing explosion.

5. Those who kill a second time.

PROTECTION

Mr R. A. Butler, the Home Secretary, had earlier said capital punishment would only be retained where it was considered essential as a deterrent against lawlessness, which struck at the basis of society, and where it appeared to be uniquely effective as a deterrent.

It gave protection which society owed to those who, on behalf of the community, dealt with reckless and dangerous criminals—prison officers and the police.

Sir Lionel Hoare, a former Conservative Attorney-General, said he supported the government but thought it was "wrong and indefensible" in not making a policeman hang.

One Labour spokesman, Mr Anthony Greenwood, criticised the bill, said it was a man slapping a fireman, he would escape hanging. If he was stabbed a policeman he would not.

The government was making an use of the law, he declared. — Reuter.

Freighter Sinks

Houston, Texas, Feb. 6. A 10,000-ton freighter being loaded with scrap iron for Japan sprung a leak and sank at a dock in the Houston ship channel today. — United Press.

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US CHARGED WITH ESPIONAGE

Moscow, Feb. 6. The Soviet Foreign Ministry's chief spokesman, Mr. Leonid Ilyichev, today made a bitter attack on American "subversive and espionage activity against the peace-loving countries," Tass reported.

Speaking at a specially-arranged press conference here, he named the Ford Foundation, the Rockefeller Foundation, the East European Foundation and the Carnegie Foundations among subversive forces "operating under the guise of all sorts of 'private' committees, foundations and unions."

He said: "The most well-known organization established for financing and directing subversive activity is the so-called 'Crusade for Freedom.'"

SUBSIDIARIES
"It ought to be added that the reactionary ruling quarters of the United States have subsidiaries of their propaganda and espionage centers in Europe of the 'free Europe' and 'liberation' type."

He declared that subversive activity against Communist countries "is an integral part of American foreign policy" and said it was "a matter of common knowledge that the United States Congress earmarks hundreds of millions of dollars for subversive activity."

Mr. Ilyichev also complained of "no less than 12... violations of the Soviet Union's air space" by US aircraft between April 1950 and December 1956.—Reuter.

Russia Taking Most Of Egypt's Exports
Cairo, Feb. 6. The semi-official Middle East News Agency reported today that Russia was now the leading importer of Egyptian goods. The report added that there would be a substantial increase in the trade between the two countries in the coming year. Egypt will soon purchase 200,000 tons of Russian wheat at a cost of US\$17,220,000 in Egyptian currency, which will later be used for the purchase of Egyptian cotton, the Middle East News Agency said.—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
3 Clerical title (8).
7 Elevate (5).
8 Crawling (6).
10 Approach road (6).
13 Deprives of weapons (7).
15 American coin (4).
17 Asked (7).
18 Opposite (7).
20 One of those flag girls (4).
21 Wild people (7).
23 Dog-house (6).
25 Unemployed state (8).
27 Pulled along (6).
29 Passage between seats (8).
- DOWN**
1 Wide (5).
2 Heaps (5).
3 Be repeated (5).
4 Always (4).
5 Bring to light (6).
6 Obsolete (6).
9 Negligent (6).
11 Snake (5).
12 Nominate (5).
14 Tells tales (6).
16 It gives seating accommodation for over 500 on a vehicle (8).
18 Confused light (6).
19 Insured (6).
22 Stringed instrument (6).
23 Undergarments (8).
24 Chews (6).
26 Slop along (6).
28 Recognize (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Custom, 5 Dams, 8 Minnie, 9 Barron, 10 Lucid, 11 Nopal, 12 Answer, 13 Torso, 16 Delate, 18 Orates, 20 Sires, 22 Strip (rev), 23 Sopin, 24 Turvay, 27 Green, 28 Blind, 29 Select. Down: 1 Cabbage, 2 Surveyor, 3 Omen, 4 Mineret, 5 Dilates, 6 Annulet, 7 Eries, 8 Sire, 10 Hapitate, 16 Existence, 18 Ireland, 19 Legates, 20 Reagan, 21 Aoba, 24 Pine.

Doctrine Lebanon Minister To Seek Arab Support

Washington, Feb. 6. King Saud of Saudi Arabia, in his first direct public statement on President Eisenhower's Middle East programme, said today the programme was a "good one" which was "entitled to the consideration and appreciation of Arab countries."

He said at a press conference here that he would talk to other Arab leaders on "all matters," including Mr. Eisenhower's plan, when he returned home from his visit to the United States. But he parried the question when asked if he would try to win Arab co-operation for the plan. Which would give standby authority to the President to use American military force against overt Communist aggression in the Middle East, if requested, and to provide 200,000,000 dollars (about \$71,000,000 sterling) a year in American arms and economic aid.

Support Pledged
King Saud's declaration came after Lebanon's Foreign Minister, Mr. Charles Malik, pledged to seek support among the Arab States for the Eisenhower doctrine.

Mr. Malik, after a visit to President Eisenhower, told reporters he had given that assurance to the President. At the same time Mr. Malik said he would know better than he how difficult it would be to win full Arab co-operation.

King Saud said he expected to reach an agreement with President Eisenhower before leaving Washington this week-end on the continued American use of the Doha air base in his country. Speaking through an interpreter, the 55-year-old monarch said he sought with the "co-operation of our friend, the American Government," to increase the size of his armed force. It now stood at about 15,000 men.

Resisted Efforts
King Saud said he had "good hopes" of US help in that field. But he resisted efforts to get details of any economic development project he might have in mind.

When a reporter asked him about "the Communist threat to the Arabs," the King replied: "I think that the Arab world is well aware and keenly so in what is our own interests how to keep up our traditions."

Mr. Malik, who is in the United States to head his country's United Nations delegation, said he was going to see King Saud.

Lebanon itself, Mr. Malik said, would co-operate in the Eisenhower plan by "entering into friendly relations with the United States under the three aspects of the programme—military, economic and political."

Declined To Say
Mr. Malik said he had handed President Eisenhower a letter from Lebanon's President, Mr. Camille Chamoun. He declined to say whether it contained a plan for dealing with Middle East problems.

But, he said, President Chamoun "expressed deep friendship toward the United States Government."

Mr. Malik said Lebanon now got military aid from the United States, adding: "Nothing to speak of and we want more."—Reuter.

Haley's First Night In UK Uneventful

London, Feb. 6. Hundreds of teen-agers shouted for "rock 'n' roll" "king" Bill Haley and his "Comets" outside a London cinema tonight after an uneventful first performance in Britain.

Throughout the show muscular commissionaires stood in strategic positions to ensure that nobody tried to "rock 'n' roll" down the aisle, and no seats were broken.

But there the orderliness ended. The rest of the show was one of deafening blast of noise from Comets and audience alike.

There were screams of rapture at each of the numbers, and "See you later, Alligator" and "Don't Knock the Rock" were laudible in the back of the stalls.

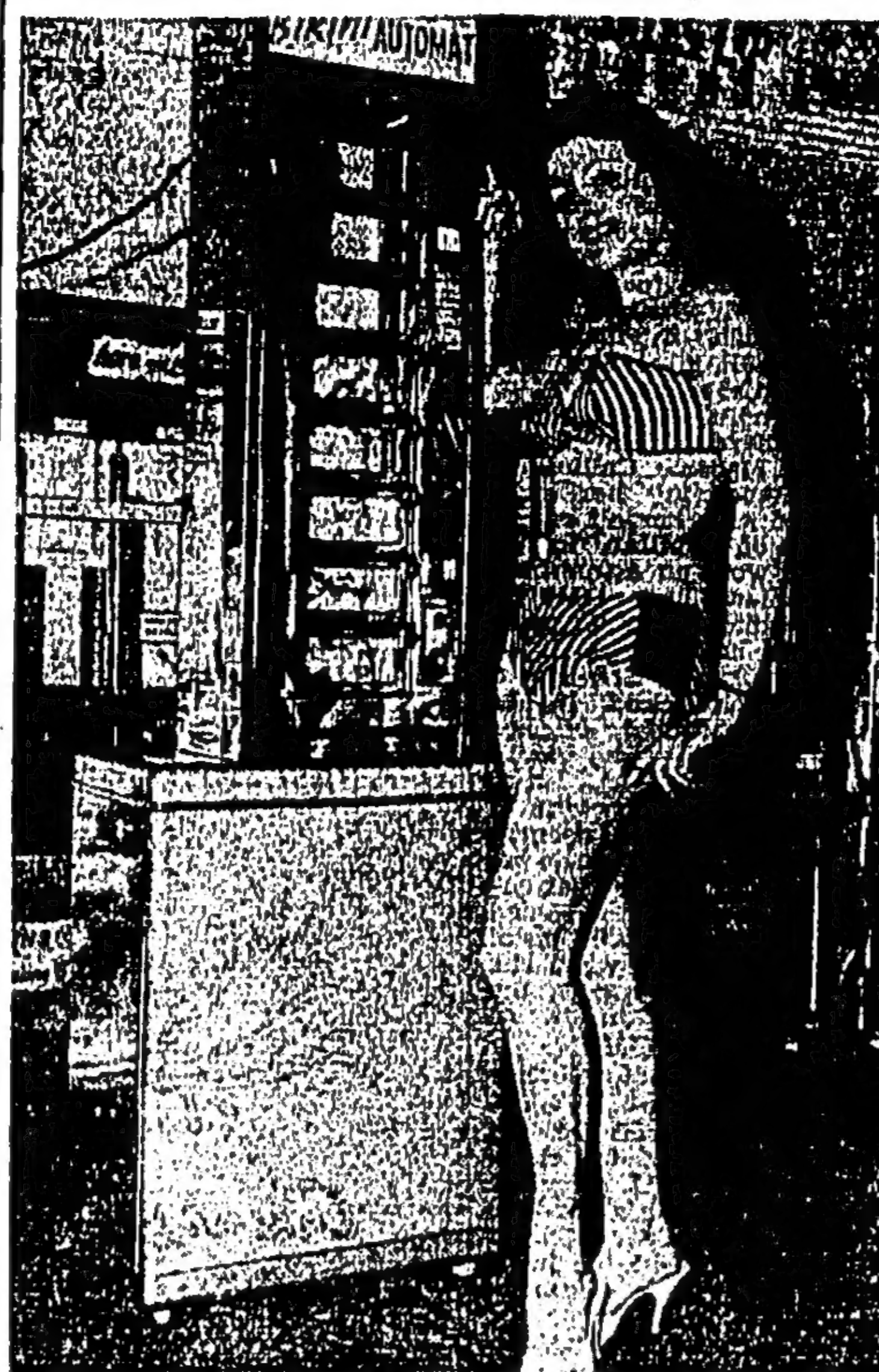
TARTAN JACKET

Haley himself was attired in a tartan dinner jacket, with his kilt-curl firmly in place. At one stage the bass player, wearing one red and one yellow sock, caused a riot by sitting sideways on his instrument to play it.

When it was all over the audience was temporarily sobered by the solemn notes of the National Anthem, but there were still a few hundred with enough voice left to shout for Haley outside the stage door. Two dozen police linked arms to hold them away. — China Mail Special.

Finn Premier Appreciative

Helsinki, Feb. 6. Finland's Prime Minister, Mr. Kaarlo Anttonen, returned here today from a visit to Moscow and Leningrad and said "the Russian hospitality was overwhelming." He said he believed the journey had served to strengthen Finland's connections with the Soviet Union. "I am very satisfied with the whole journey," he added.—Reuter.



Pretty Margaret Rowe (Miss England 1955) wearing the bikini she obtained from the bikini vendor machine currently on show in London's Amusement Trades Fair. Machines of this kind are expected to prove popular at British bathing resorts this summer—among both sexes.—Express Photo.

Central Sumatra Rulers To Be More Drastic

Djakarta, Feb. 6. The leaders of Central Sumatra's Buffalo Council today promised to carry out "even more radical and revolutionary steps without hesitation" in meeting the wishes of the people.

Lieut-Col Ahmad Husin made the statement to a giant rally of nearly 100,000 persons in Padang who demanded the end of the Prime Minister Ali Sastroamidjojo's coalition Cabinet.

Against Appeals
The rally passed a resolution calling President Soekarno to use his influence and authority to press Premier Ali into dissolving the Cabinet.

The resolution also urged Members of Parliament to vote against any government appeals for confidence in the legislature. The huge meeting, organised by the Central Sumatra people's Committee, also urged the Buffalo Council to take even more radical and revolutionary steps in realising the wishes of the people in Central Sumatra and Indonesia.

Radio Padang reported that a similar rally took place in the town of Tanah Datar and another rally was scheduled in Bukittinggi.

The mass meetings followed the negotiations between the Buffalo Council and a government delegation from Djakarta. Central Sumatra leaders have described the negotiations as "a failure."

Atom Bombs Thrown Over The Shoulder In Low Level Attacks

Minneapolis, Feb. 6. **BRITISH** fighter-bombers will be fitted with one of America's latest tactical weapons—a low-altitude bombing system which allows a low-flying jet aircraft to deliver an atomic bomb and escape safely, it was announced here today.

The announcement was made by the Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Company, which said it had been granted an export licence to begin immediate delivery of an undisclosed number of bombing systems under a 750,000 dollar (about £267,850 sterling) contract.

Mr. Stephen F. Keating, Vice-President of the company's Aeronautical Division, said that the State Department had approved the deliveries to the Royal Air Force. His company manufactures the equip-

MOROCCAN SUPPORT FOR ALGERIA IN UNITED NATIONS

United Nations, Feb. 6. Morocco told the United Nations today that North Africa had a "common future" and peace in Algeria involved the security of Morocco and Tunisia as well as their relations with France.

The Moroccan Ambassador, El Moudi ben Aboud, addressed the General Assembly's Main Political Committee. He said: "From the point of view of the principle of the freedom of peoples to the right of self-determination, from the point of view of the security of North Africa, from the point of view of historical progress toward the liberation of subject peoples, from the point of view of our ideological faith that spiritual values are higher than the material and occasionally illegitimate selfishness of individuals, the Algerian problem in our eyes assumes the greatest moral significance," he said.

General Nature
Mr ben Aboud said Morocco's views were of a general nature "which can be applied to all similar questions such as those of the Algerian national struggle."

He defined Morocco's basic attitude as that set forth by Sultan Mohammed V in his appeal for an end to the Algerian bloodshed and the granting of the aspirations of freedom of the people.

Compensation For Forced Labourers
Frankfurt, Feb. 6. Liquidators of the vast Nazi IG Farben chemical combine agreed today to set aside 27,000,000 Deutschmarks (US\$6,430,000) to compensate former Jewish forced labourers at the IG Farben plants near Auschwitz concentration camp.

An agreement providing for this was signed here by Dr. Ernest Katzstein on behalf of the conference on Jewish material claims against Germany and representatives of the IG Farben liquidators.

The agreement provided that IG Farben will make this sum available to a legal trust in Germany which will administer payments to Jewish claimants. The combine's liquidators also have agreed to set aside an additional 3,000,000 Deutschmarks (US\$714,285) for payments to non-Jews who were forced labourers at Auschwitz.

BEST INTERESTS
The agreement followed two years of negotiations here and in New York.

After signing the contract Katzstein said "the agreement, in our view, is intended to serve the best interests of Jewish claimants and to provide an amicable solution to a difficult problem."

The agreement goes into effect only after ratification by the stockholders of the IG Farben company in liquidation and passage of legislation by the West German Parliament setting a deadline for filing claims against the former combine.—United Press.

Russia And US Agree —On Seals

Washington, Feb. 6. Japan, Canada, the Soviet Union and the United States will sign a new agreement limiting fur-seal fishing in the North Pacific, in Washington on Saturday, it was officially announced here today.

The new agreement is the result of negotiations which have been going on intermittently in Washington among representatives of the four countries since the end of 1955.—France-Press.

British aircraft in which the bombing systems were to be fitted.
But in recent public demonstrations in the United States, a Republic T-34F Thunderstreak plane showed how the system could be used in "over-the-shoulder" bombing.

The attacking plane passed over the target and tossed the bomb back to it as it streaked to safety.—China Mail Special.

Allegations Against Mindszenty
Budapest, Feb. 6. An American spokesman said tonight "everything practicable" was being done to prevent Cardinal Jozsef Mindszenty using the United States Legation here "as a base for conducting political or related activities."

The spokesman issued a statement after the official Hungarian Communist newspaper Nepszabadsag today accused Cardinal Mindszenty of issuing orders and threats to Roman Catholic clergy from his sanctuary in the Legation.

The Cardinal, Catholic Primate of Hungary, has been living in the Legation since he sought asylum there on November 4 when Soviet troops attacked Budapest to crush the Hungarian rising. A few days earlier he had been freed from house arrest by nationalist insurgents and returned to his place in Budapest.—Reuter.

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Indian Press Council Shape Opposed

New Delhi, Feb. 6. Indian newspaper editors meeting here today declared they were "extremely unhappy" with the shape of the Government's bill to set up a press council in India.

The bill has been adopted by the upper house—the Council of States—and is now pending before the House of the People. The Standing Committee of the All India Newspaper Editors' Conference, which represents all the main newspapers, passed a resolution criticising particularly the bill's proposal to give the press council power to extract information compulsorily from journalists. It also disapproved of the inclusion of professional politicians on the press council.

IMPARTIAL CHAIRMAN

The resolution proposed that the bill should be amended, firstly to constitute a press council entirely of journalists and representatives of newspaper managements, except for the chairman, who might be someone impartial of the standing of a High Court judge; secondly to delete the provisions giving the council the same powers as a civil court in summoning persons and examining them on oath.

The resolution said "this section is objectionable on these grounds:—A. Compulsory extraction of information; B. Summoning and enforcing attendance of persons and examining them on oath; C. Requiring the discovery and production of documents." The resolution proposed that the press council should be self-regulatory body and that its life should be limited initially to three years, at the end of which its work should be reviewed by Parliament in consultation with the press.—Reuter.

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Vienna, Feb. 6. People who assist Hungarians to cross the border illegally into a foreign country will be punished with up to 10 years imprisonment, Budapest radio reported today.—China Mail Special.

THE RETURN OF DR. KANG

A Question Of Tailoring

THE captain of the Dragia smiled nervously at Dr. Kang and fiddled with a cable slip on the desk before him. "You are, no doubt, curious to know why I have sent for you, Dr. Kang?"

For a moment Dr. Kang said nothing. He sat in a shaft of warm tropical sunlight that streamed through the porthole and beamed blandly through his spectacles; sixtyish, over-plump, a Buddha in a white silk suit, he was, if the truth were to be known, wondering whether any of his past misdeeds was about to catch up with him.

He said: "A man who loses his curiosity, captain, is like a man who loses his appetite. He does not survive long without it. I presume I am here because of something written in that cable?"

The captain nodded.

"Something that concerns me?"

"Not directly, Dr. Kang."

"Good," Dr. Kang's large head inclined graciously.

"The truth is," said the captain, "that we have aboard a certain Mr. Graves—that is how he is described on the passenger list. This cable was sent to him."

"He has the cabin next to mine."

"Well, his real name is Beckford, and he is an official of a South African diamond concern. He travels, incognito, from Capetown to Marseilles and he carries with him on his person a valuable consignment of diamonds. This cable is from his agents in Capetown to say that his real identity is known, and it is feared that there is someone aboard who may try to relieve him of his diamonds."

Dr. Kang smiled. "And you thought I might be that person?"

"No, Dr. Kang. Ten years ago I might have thought so—"

"But now," Dr. Kang's eyes sparkled behind his glasses, "it is known that the tiger has grown old and prefers to lie in the sun and sleep rather than hunt!"

"It's a nice way of putting it."

"Then what do you require of me?"

"Mr. Graves—I shall continue to refer to him by that name—has suggested that for a substantial fee you might become his... watchdog, shall we call it? Until we reach Marseilles. You have adjoining cabins and there is a communicating door

by
VICTOR CANNING



A thin black object was suddenly hanging from O'Hara's cheek.

bring all my things in here and yours into my cabin Mr. Graves. But we will go on using the separate and same entrances as before. If the thief comes in the night he will find me sleeping in your cabin—and I am well able to look after myself."

"That's a great idea," said Mr. Graves.

"Then I will now help you to change our things over," said Dr. Kang.

The captain went off to get the key to the communicating door between the cabins. Within half an hour Mr. Graves and Dr. Kang had changed cabins helping one another to carry cases and the contents of wardrobes and drawers.

CLOSE TOGETHER

FOR several days the Dragia steamed up the West African coast and, as long as daylight lasted, Dr. Kang kept very close to Mr. Graves. At night they retired about the same time, using their old cabin entrances and passing through the adjoining door to sleep in each other's cabin. They both locked their outer doors and they both slept soundly.

Very discreetly Dr. Kang began to investigate the other passengers. With some reluctance the captain furnished Dr. Kang with a pass key to all the other cabins, and with more reluctance deliberately invited all the other passengers in groups to be drinks with him before dinner so that Dr. Kang could go through their cabins.

There were moments as Dr. Kang searched the various cabins when he regretted that he was not 10 years younger and still dedicated to a life of opportunity. But virtue, he told himself, though it makes a man's days dull, gives him untold sleep at night.

Of the handful of passengers only two interested Dr. Kang. One was a Madame Callini, a striking woman in her early thirties, who gave herself out to be the wife of a Milan industrialist and wore an astonishing selection of jewellery. Only Dr. Kang knew that it was all paste and that she had served three sentences for fraud. She kept a little scrap-book locked in her case with the cuttings of her trials pasted in it—the vanity of women!

The other passenger was a thin, sardonic-looking Irishman called O'Hara, who made no friends with the other passengers, kept to himself, and carried a small automatic pistol fitted with a silencer when he went for a stroll round the decks before turning in.

ON WATCH

ON the night before they were due to dock at Marseilles Dr. Kang retired to his cabin but did not go to sleep. He turned off his light, drew the curtains back from his porthole and kept watch. Every night Mr. O'Hara was in the habit around eleven o'clock of smoking an cigarette in an angle of the deck which Dr. Kang could just see from his porthole. If

Dr. Kang might have left the path of lawlessness himself but his knowledge of the tricks of the trade was unimpaired

Mr. Graves's diamonds were to be stolen, Dr. Kang had decided, it would be on this night, so that the next day in the confusion of arriving at Marseilles and the fuss with police and customs they could be slipped overboard to an accomplice, or the thief could disappear ashore. A match was struck in the deck corner. As O'Hara lit his cigarette, his lean face was bright in the flame.

Then Dr. Kang heard a whistle of air and a thin black object was suddenly hanging from O'Hara's cheek. The man half-turned, began to raise his hand to his cheek and then toppled over. A man's shadowy bulk moved swiftly across the deck towards the recumbent O'Hara.

MISTAKEN IDENTITY

IT was a grim little conference in the ship's surgery. The captain, Dr. Kang and Mr. Graves were there, and Mr. Graves was very angry.

"It's clear what happened," O'Hara and I are about the same build. But more than that—he nodded to the bulk of a body that lay stretched out under a sheet—"you'll notice he was wearing a smoking jacket like mine, even to the colour. The thief, murderer, whoever he is, mistook him for me. There's somebody aboard this ship with a blowpipe and poison darts that kill in a couple of seconds. Dr. Kang, you've got a long way to go before you earn your thousand dollars. Next time it may be me."

Dr. Kang rubbed his chin with a plump hand. "You know," he said, "I don't think you'll ever pay me a thousand dollars. No, I don't think so."

"Not if I'm bumped off. I won't," snapped Mr. Graves.

Dr. Kang stared at the sheet-covered body.

SAME NAME

"MR. Graves, you say that you took your name as an incognito for this trip—but when I helped you carry your stuff into my cabin I noticed that all your tailor's labels even on old suits, gave your name as Graves. Curious... because when I searched all the other cabins I found that all Mr. O'Hara's clothes bore a tailor's label inside with the name of Beckford."

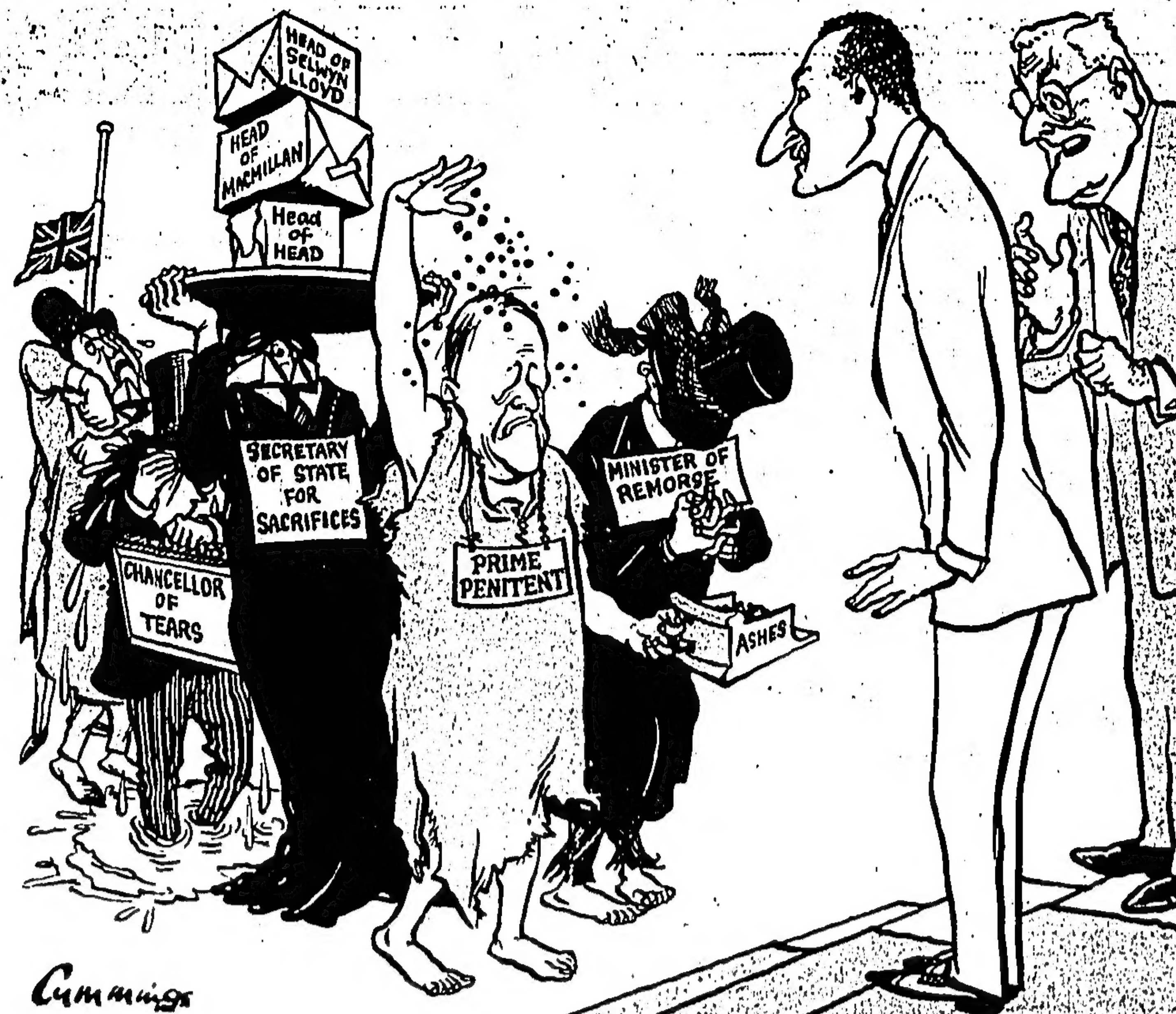
"What?" The captain stared at Dr. Kang.

"Beckford, captain, Mr. Graves isn't Beckford. O'Hara is, Mr. Graves even had a smoking jacket made like O'Hara's so that it would appear that O'Hara was killed for him by mistake. Except," Dr. Kang's eyes twinkled, "that O'Hara wasn't killed."

The sheet over the body stirred and O'Hara sat up. "That's right," he said cheerfully. "Damn clever those Chinese. And now, Mr. Graves, I'll trouble you to hand back the bolt with my diamonds in it that you took out on the deck there."

Dr. Kang said softly, "It is true, Mr. Graves. Mr. O'Hara is alive. I found your blowpipe in the bottle with angostura... a bitter but not deadly substitute."

Tuesday:
THE SLASHER SLIPS UP



The Cabinet that Mr. Gaitskill was hoping for...

CALAMITY GEORGE HAS SCARED THE BOOM BOYS

"A DEPRESSION that will curl your hair." This phrase is one which Americans cannot get out of their minds.

It was spoken by Secretary of the Treasury George Humphrey almost two weeks ago, but it is still echoing all over the land and has quite drowned out President Eisenhower's noble sentiments expressed in his inauguration speech.

Humphrey is the strong man of the Eisenhower Cabinet, and by far the outstanding member of the President's team.

Everything he has touched has been crowned with success, in contrast to the performance of Mr. Dulles in foreign affairs.

Market dived

SO when Mr. Humphrey, commenting on the record, peace-time 718 thousand million dollar Budget, says "I don't think that you can spend your money as you please, keep on spending that way and you will have a depression that will curl your hair," he is listened to as the soundest of forecasters and the wisest of prophets.

Since he spoke the stock market has dived to the lowest point since the Suez police action began, other economists have suggested that when a country booms too long it has to bust, and there has been a rush by the ordinary American to put his money in the savings bank or under the bed.

In the queue

BEING human, and respecting his judgment, I joined the queue to deposit a small sum which will yield me three percent and is supposed to be sure and safe. During

1955-56 a lot of us played the stock market a little, and man, woman, or child could hardly go wrong.

Rank amateurs put their money on industrials, or oil, or mines, and up came the lucky number almost every time.

Even elevator men, shop assistants, and clerks were taking the plunge. It wasn't the roaring '20's, but it was the noisy '50's, and the cash register rang up the dollars hard and loud.

At that time my chemist told me: "I made more money on the stock market in one year than I earned in the previous three. I'm thinking of making the market my all-time occupation." I warned him not to, although I was beginning to fancy myself as a minor wizard of Wall Street.

I saw my chemist—or drug-store clerk as he is called here. He was very gloomy. He said: "The big spend is off and I'm never touching the stock market again."

Many people are blaming Mr. Humphrey for speaking so

split between the President and Mr. Humphrey.

Perhaps Mr. Eisenhower will be able to explain it all at his next Press conference.

'Not smart'

EVERYTHING is ready for the visit of King Saud of Saudi Arabia, but so one except the President and his staff and Mr. Dulles and his staff, and, of course, Standard Oil, seem at all enthusiastic. To see Saud before conferring with Mr. Macmillan is not considered particularly smart by most Americans.

As for the tentative visit of Marshal Tito, that is considered so ill-advised as to be out-

United States would be an accepted thing.

There has been a lot of miff and pretty mixed. Many of the letters are very bitter in their feelings towards the United States. I ask a little restraint, but my thanks to the other readers, and particularly to the 70-year-old Scotsman, of Glasgow, who is too modest to have me print her name, but writes: "Of course, our country will win through—it always does."

Japanese week

IN entertainment it is Japanese film week here (fancy that), and a tremendous American fuss is being made over a delegation of Japanese movie-makers. There are special showings every day of Japanese films in the Museum of Modern Art.

The Americans are a funny people. Sir Ralph Richardson is a big success in "Waltz of the Toreadors." So another British star triumphs on Broadway at a time when there has been an extraordinary number of "fast flops."

So many shows have failed that critic-baiting has become the chief activity of outraged and out-of-work stars and feature players.

Fey Emerson says: "Why should critics be allowed to destroy productions which cost over 100,000 dollars and which took so much hard work and heartache on the part of everybody? The argument is as old as the theatre."

FOOTNOTE: A depression that would curl America's hair would mean the rest of the Western world losing its scalp.

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bluntly. I lunched with a stockbroker the other day and he said: "I blame Humphrey for a good deal of the trouble. People get panicky when they read what he said. That statement 'a depression that will curl your hair' will take a lot of living down. Anyway, Humphrey is supposed to be responsible for the Budget, what's the calamity howling about?"

It was certainly a strange performance when Humphrey, in defence of his chief, President Eisenhower, denounced the extravagance of the Budget but did not assume any of the responsibility himself. He now says it was a declaration of his economic faith. Perhaps he should have said lack of faith.

Press Secretary James Hagerty says: "There is no big

rageous. What is needed here and now is a State Visit by Queen Elizabeth. I am surprised that the Queen's advisers, a conservative group without too much imagination, did not think of this last year or even the year before.

"But it is not too late now. The Queen has never visited this country since she assumed the Crown. The last visit of a reigning British monarch was in 1939, when King George VI and his Queen made a tour here."

The goodwill that would flow from a visit by the Queen and the Dulles of Edinburgh would more than wash away the silt of bitterness caused by Suez.

If the Queen had a residence in Canada, and stayed at least two months of each year there, as I have advocated over and over again, regular visits to the

"Just like that"

says Malcolm Scrimgeour

MAGICIAN Al Koran performed a "miracle" for the Press after appearing in a show at the Hippodrome in Manchester, Great Britain, and bamboozled everyone—but me.

The "Miracle": In his dressing room, Al borrowed several pound notes from Pressman, then copied down numbers from the notes "at random," producing a 15 figure number.

The number: 588235294117647. Handing an ordinary pack of cards to one Pressman he said: "Pick a card." A five was picked and then Al asked us to multiply the first number by five.

Result: 2941176470588235. Al then asked one of us to phone his wife, Edith, in Epsom, London. "Tell her to open the envelope marked Manchester in my bureau drawer and read out what's written on the paper inside," said Al.

Over the phone Mrs. Koran read out the figures: 2941176470588235. Incredible? Yes. But it set me thinking.

My explanation: There are certain numbers (reciprocals of prime numbers, the mathematical call them) which produce the same sequence of figures when multiplied or divided by numbers up to 10.

The Same

Try multiplying the figure 'Al' took down, apparently at ran-

dom from our pound notes, by any number up to 10. You'll find that the sequence of figures remains the same although the number is changed.

Thus, multiplying by 3 (for instance) the number becomes 1764705882352941.

Therefore, whichever card was picked the figures would remain the same so Mrs. Koran had simply to know where to begin to get the right sequence. This could be by simple code—"bureau" for 5, for example.

I challenged Al. "You've guessed almost all of it," he admitted. "You're right about the number, but I'm not going to give away the rest of it."

"I've never been caught out before," I considered myself a genius.

Now Al has promised really to bamboozle me later this week. It's a date, Al.

POCKET CARTOON by OSBERT LANCASTER



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Bilbao Beaten 3-0 In European Cup Soccer Quarter-Final

Manchester, Feb. 6. Manchester United, the English League Champions, entered the semi-finals of the European Football Cup when they beat Bilbao, of Spain, 3-0 in the second leg of their quarter-final tie here tonight.

Manchester were beaten 5-3 in the first leg at Bilbao, but won the tie on aggregate 6-5. Thus they took another step towards the ambitious treble English League Championship, English Football Association Cup and the European Cup.

Moving with speed and precision in the heavy mud, Manchester United, who led 1-0 at halftime, hammered away at the magnificent Spanish defence for most of the game. But it was not until five minutes before the end that winger Johnny Berry scored the goal which took them into the semi-finals.

Bilbao attacked only occasionally and were never really dangerous, but their defence looked like earning a replay. Denis Viollet scored United's first goal four minutes before halftime, and centre-forward Tommy Taylor, who was outstanding among the home forwards, netted the second after 71 minutes.—Reuter.

Koci Cables World Boxing Commission For An Enquiry

Buenos Aires, Feb. 6. Lazaro Koci, manager of World Flyweight Boxing Champion, Pascual Perez of the Argentine, said today that he could not reply to the offer made for a world title fight between Perez and Hiroshi Mikioka of Japan, until the World Boxing Commission and National Boxing Association had taken a position on accusations made against Koci.

The accusations were made by Ramon Rosales, manager of Memo Diaz, Mexico's second world ranking flyweight, after he returned to Mexico on Sunday.

Rosales then alleged that Koci, in league with Argentine doctors, had invented fictitious illnesses for Diaz, so as to prevent the Mexican boxer from being able to fight against Perez for the world title in Buenos Aires recently.

Koci, in a telegram to the Secretary-General of the World Boxing Commission, Edouard Rabret, called for an enquiry into Rosales' "infamous accusations".

Koci said he would take no decision concerning Perez's next fight for the world title until the World Commission had taken a stand on the Diaz-Rosales affair.—France-Press.

Sandy Saddler May Come Out Of Retirement

New York, Feb. 6. Former World Featherweight Boxing Champion, Sandy Saddler, who retired from the ring last month because of an eye injury, said today he hoped to box again one day, after a long treatment to his eye.

Saddler has had several days of detailed medical examination in a New York hospital. A specialist said after the examination that the new treatment had already succeeded in a dozen cases. If the treatment proved successful, Saddler would be able to box again after a long convalescence, the doctor said.

Saddler was injured in a road accident last summer and has not boxed since. When he retired last month after a first medical examination, it was said that if he boxed again, he might lose his sight completely.—France-Press.

Only Eight Countries Enter Ice Hockey

Copenhagen, Feb. 6. Japan is one of only eight countries entered for the world ice-hockey championships to be held in Moscow from the end of this month to the beginning of March. It was learned here today after a preliminary meeting of the International Ice Hockey Federation's Executive Committee.

The other entries are: The Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia, Sweden, Finland, East Germany, America and Poland.—France-Press.

Hongkong FA Soccer Fixtures For Feb. 16-17

The following Hongkong Football Association matches have been arranged for the week ending February 16-17:

Senior Shield Semi-final: KMB v. RAF, Boundary St. 3.45 p.m. Ref. F. J. Kirkham; Lines. R. Webb/J. D. Jones.
Junior Shield Semi-final: RAF Sal Wan v. Gymnasium, Boundary St. 2 p.m. Ref. R. H. Moore; Lines. A. A. James/F. R. Prallett.

1st Div: Navy v. Police (PP from 14.10.56), Navy 4 p.m. Ref. S. F. Dradley; Lines. S. U. Woo/W. Sanders.

2nd Div: Telephone v. Tai-koo, Navy 2.30 p.m. Ref. J. Moore; Lines. D. P. Lai/Wong Yik-chung.

RAMC v. Jardine, H.V. 4.30 p.m. Ref. Lai Shiu-wing; Lines. S. Y. Kwok/Yu Loong-kin.
Solicitors v. Prisons, H.V. 4.30 p.m. Ref. Tsang King-hong; Lines. Liu Ting-kai/Yau Wah-hing.

3rd Div: Dodwell v. University, H.V. 3 p.m. Ref. George Jor; Lines. Lee Kan-chi/Li Fook-on.

Rediffusion v. CMB, H.V. 3 p.m. Ref. S. E. Matthews; Lines. Lee Tuk-kee/A. McIntosh.
C & W v. Aircraft, H.V. 3 p.m. Ref. Lau Kim-ming; Lines. Luk Tat-sun/Ng Chun-wing.

HIL v. Hollandia, H.V. 4.30 p.m. Ref. W. H. Lau; Lines. Mak Hin-tang/V. C. Mak.

February 17
Senior Shield Semi-final: Kitchener v. South China, HK Stadium 3.45 p.m. Ref. E. G. Dawson; Lines. D. G. Simpson/R. P. Browning.

Junior Shield Semi-final: South China v. Army, HK Stadium 2 p.m. Ref. R. Morrison-White; Lines. Li Ping-pui/Cheung Yung-ting.

2nd Div: Tramways v. B & S, H.V. 4.30 p.m. Ref. F. W. King-chung; Lines. F. W. Bates/Chan Shiu-chuen.

H.V.M.E v. Tung Wah, H.V. 4.30 p.m. Ref. P. Manson; Lines. F. J. O'Brien/Choy Wing-chuen.

3rd Div: Kin. Godown v. University, H.V. 3 p.m. Ref. Chan Man-chong; Lines. Ng Yue-wai/H. N. Tam.

CMB v. AFS, H.V. 3 p.m. Ref. Chan Ping-tak; Lines. Tsang Nui-bun/J. J. Murphy.
Watsons v. Caroline Hill, H.V. 4.30 p.m. Ref. Dickie Lee; Lines. Tso Hon-Kit/Wong Wah-kay.

Matches Postponed—2nd Div: Gymnasium v. Dockyard. RAF Sal Wan v. CMB.

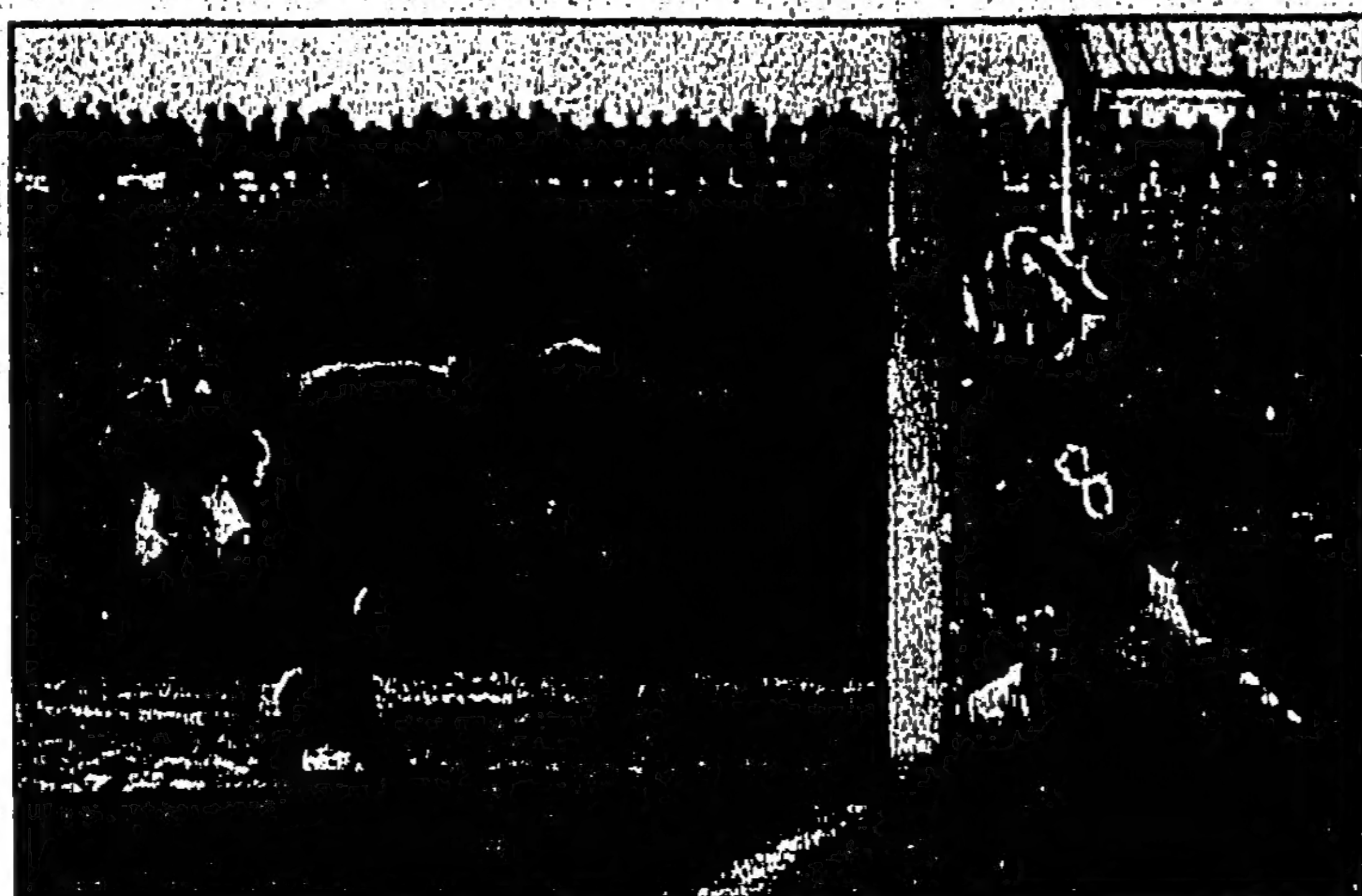
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TENSE MOMENT FOR NEWCASTLE



Millwall inside-right Shepherd (No. 8) watches from inside the Newcastle United goal as goalkeeper Simpson is beaten by the ball during the FA Cup Fourth Round match at the Den, New Cross, London on January 26. The ball was safely cleared by the Newcastle defenders. Millwall won 2-1.—Reuterphoto.

RUGGER PREVIEW

There Will Be No Easy Victory For England When They Meet Ireland

By DUGAL SMITH

There should have been a notice on the training fields of the England Rugby Fifteen. A warning: "Take care. Beware of the Irish bull."

For there will be no repeat of last season's easy victory for England when they meet Ireland at Dublin on Saturday.

No weary, dispirited Irish pack crumbling under the battering of a superior eight and fast, crashing wings.

The odds are even, Ireland are again a Rugby power. And, after their 11-0 drubbing of France at Dublin, a confident power with the potential to beat any team in this international competition.

Another Irish advantage: England have not won in Ireland since 1938. In five games at Lansdowne-road since the war the tally stands at three Irish wins and two draws.

England are yet unproven. But for the injury to full back Allison the selectors would have kept the team that beat Wales so luckily on January 19. And the question remains: Are they a winning combination?

The penalty goal that brought the 3-0 victory over Wales did not answer this.

TIGHT BATTLE
The game with Ireland will hinge on the tight battle of the front row.

Once the tough, clean-hooking Irish trio jork the ball through the scrum and Jackie Kyle's 6ft-plus three-quarter line get going, I wouldn't give England's back line a snowball's chance in the tropics of stopping them.

To win, England must have the ball back fast and often. Fast because Ireland's backs are renowned for hope-dashing rushes on a back line that hasn't quite reached full stride... fast because their steel-light scrum has shown it can ground a dithering, slow-healing pack mercilessly into the mud.

Give the Irish boys just a split-second of indecision and watch their backs tear through.

One alteration in the England team which would have seemed

Jim Bailey Named Oregon's Best Athlete Of 1956
Portland, Oregon, Feb. 6. Jim Bailey, University of Oregon, distance runner and Australian entry in the Olympic Games last autumn, was named last night as Oregon's outstanding athlete of 1956.

Final selection of Bailey came from a field of 12 athletes who had been chosen earlier for their outstanding records during the year. The award was presented at the ninth annual Bill Hayward Banquet of Champions, sponsored by the Oregon Sports Writers and Broadcasters Association.

Bailey became the first runner to crack the four-minute mile barrier in the United States when he broke the world record—holder, John Landy, in the Los Angeles Coliseum last year. Bailey's time for the race was 3:58.4.

Week-End Softball
Saturday, February 2, 3.00 p.m. Dodge v. Lodi Cubs (G. Pans, Jr. Vinnia; Lee Bernard). Sunday, February 3, 1.30 p.m. J.C. v. Conema (G. Pans, Jr. Vinnia; M. Hummel). 3.30 p.m. C. v. S. China (D. Kameda, D. Jones; G. J. 2.45 p.m. Pans v. A. C. G. (Low Bob, Y. F. Chan, J. Dyer).

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JOE LOUIS TELLS WHAT HE COULDN'T SAY BEFORE

THE BIG LIE ABOUT TOMMY FARR

By HAROLD MAYES

"He was nice—it's a shame he's getting old." The soft southern drawl of the young Negro waitress in the dimly-lit restaurant on Chicago's South Side brought me out of my day-dreams as I looked at the life-size photograph of Joe Louis on the wall just above me.

Time was when the athletic young figure portrayed there couldn't have set foot in the place without the whole of the local populace peering through the windows just to get a glimpse of him.

With his two gloved fists and a dignified approach to life, the young man had done more for the coloured race than any other individual, living or dead. And as we talked, a tall, broad figure filled the swing doors.

Twenty years had passed since the photograph was taken, twenty years of memory, of joy, of heartaches. Twenty years in which a man, even one who had been a household word in every land, still had many secrets.

The man who was "old" didn't even glance up at the picture of the man who was once so young and athletic. A typical American greeting: "How you bin," and we were on our way. Joe Louis and I were together again—alone.

Twenty-five times Joe put the crown "on the line" against all comers. Unlike some of his predecessors—and, indeed, some of his successors—he never belittled an opponent. He thought deeply in those days before he answered a question, because he never wished to say anything which he felt might reflect in any way against his own people.

Now, in the solitude of his apartment on a boulevard beside Washington Park, where in other days he had piled up many miles of roadwork, he was free to talk. And he was talking—freely.

Who worried him most of all his adversaries? Who hit him the hardest? Did he regret making the comeback which ended so disastrously when he became a virtual sacrifice to a bull-dozing fighter the world knew as Rocky Marciano?

Why had he even submitted to the indignity of being cornered in professional wrestling? Why did his marriage to the beautiful Marva Trotter break up? How did he come to owe the United States Government more in income tax than he could ever pay in two lifetimes? Did he regret it, or would he do it all over again?

Those were the questions I wanted answered. I got my answers—and more.

BROKEN RIBS
In the room where we talked there wasn't a single memento of the fighting days of one of the greatest champions of all time. A tall, gold figure of a golfer, a trophy indicative of his pastime rather than his business and a recently-delivered set of golf clubs, which he felt out with almost loving care, were the only reminders that the massive man in the grey flannel slacks and the blue woollen, short-sleeved shirt from which the biceps bulged had any connection with sport at all.

"Can't play golf at the moment," said Joe. "That's tough, because I like it. But I shall be playing again soon. Got to wait until February, when I get another check-up from the doctors on my heart."

"Just goes to prove that wrestling is tougher than boxing. I trained three or four hours a day to learn to take falls—and what happened? There I am wrestling in Ohio, and a guy jumps on me. I wind up with three broken ribs and a damaged heart."

"I'll still do it, though, when I'm fit again, because how else can you pick up four or five thousand dollars in a piece?"

"I'm supposed to be broke, you see. Well, I suppose I am, really, when I owe so much to Uncle Sam, but he and I get along pretty good together, and he don't bother me too much."

"Right now I owe the US Government something around 1,300,000 dollars. But I've got an apartment in Chicago, another in New York, and a house in Long Island."

"As a director of the International Boxing Club (the promoting body controlled by Jim Norris), I got 20,000 dollars a year and all expenses."

SPLIT THE PRIZE
"And this year I'm hoping they're going to give me a 5,000-dollar raise. The Government don't touch any of that, or anything from the milk business, of which I am a director in Chicago."

"Not so long ago my wife and I won 41,000 dollars on a television quiz."

Six Centuries Scored In WI Cricket Trial
Part of Spain, Trinidad, Feb. 6. Six centuries have been scored after two completed innings here in the West Indies final cricket trial for this year's tour of England.

Sollie Smith, was the sixth century maker with 102 in 123 minutes for Clyde Walcott's team against an Everton Week XI on the third day's play yesterday. The match ends tomorrow.

Scores: Week XI 407 (Nyrn Asgarali and Hammond-Furlong both 100; Bruce Palmer 120 and 65 for one; Walcott XI 412 (Rohan Kanhai 117, Clyde Walcott 132, Collie Smith 102).—China Mail Special.

Joe's Answer
Tommy plied in the last round to prove himself among the worthy challengers ever to face the Brown Bomber—but he lost.

And many times since it has been suggested that Louis allowed the Welshman to go the distance to give the impression that the coloured man was not invincible.

I mentioned this suggestion to Joe. And then, coolly and deliberately, put to him the question: "Joe, did you 'carry' Farr?" "Without a moment's hesitation he replied: "I didn't carry Farr. For anyone to suggest I did is doing less than justice to a good fighter. I gave him the best I could. If they could go in a round, boy, they just had to go!"

NEXT INSTALLMENT: The fighters who hit me the hardest.

GRAINGER WILL PROBABLY GO FOR SOMETHING JUST UNDER £10,000

By JAMES CONNOLLY

Story behind Rotherham United's shock decision to sell England "B" rightwinger Jack Grainger is a small club's struggle to keep faith with loyal long-service players.

Rotherham are losing money and Millmoor gates have dipped to a mere 10,000.

But Rotherham pride themselves on always paying top benefits. As gates do not provide the necessary cash it must come from selling players.

"Five players are due for benefits this year, and that means close on £4,000," manager Andy Smalles told me.

Four years ago Rotherham turned down a £30,000 Newcastle bid for Grainger. Earlier this season they refused a big Liverpool offer.

Now he will probably go for something just under £10,000. Other players offered for sale at the same time as Grainger were Frank Marshall and Ken Keyworth.

TRANSFER SPLASH
The Grainger boys might well make a £30,000 transfer splash next month.

Sheffield United are ready to sell their England left-winger Colin Grainger—he is Jack's brother—at £20,000-plus.

Sunderland wanted him. Sheffield manager Joe Mercer went to Roker Park to see what they had to offer, in part exchange. When he returned, the exchange deal was off.

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CLIFF BRITTON IS A HARD TASKMASTER— BUT A FAIR ONE

By STANLEY MATTHEWS

There are managers who triumph over all their troubles. Cliff Britton, at Preston, is one. Cliff is a man of ideas. That is why he was one of Britain's greatest wing halves... that is why he is one of the game's outstanding managers today and the man behind Preston's gallop into the Championship race.

When he took over last August Preston were at the foot of the table. Now they are fifth from the top.

And listen to my old friend and international colleague, Tom Finney:—

"Cliff has transformed us into a team. Before he came all we had was a team of hard workers, a team without organisation and no set plan. We lacked leadership.

"Cliff has changed all that. He is a hard taskmaster but a fair one. The players respect him, for he knows what he is talking about, and there is method behind everything he says or does."

The rest of the boys at Preston—and that goes for the directors and staff too—will I am sure back up Tom Finney's word. So take your credit, Cliff. Cliff has strong views on his job. He believes the manager should always be allowed to manage.

But he is pleased with the co-operation he has received from everyone at Preston.

FULL SUPPORT

"I am given complete freedom and the full support of the board," he says.

He has firm ideas on the future of football and the difficulty in buying big-name stars. "Clubs who have stars won't part. Even Third Division and non-league clubs are hanging on to their men."

"We must make our own players. It has always been my aim to find, coach, and train youngsters and build them into stars."

"Our scouts are always out watching for likely youngsters. We are building for the future—right from the bottom."

"I believe that in a few years most clubs will be playing home-grown talent... we will be back to really local teams."

Cliff sees little future in flood-light football unless games are boosted into some highly competitive form. "How can you get people to come to night matches in the middle of winter just to watch another game?" he says.

"Give them a hot competition, something like the European Cup, and the crowds will roll up. And that goes for any kind of football, daylight or flood-light."

You're dead right Cliff. Football needs ideas in plenty and competition that will create crowd interest.

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GOLF AH-OY!... AND HERE'S ONE YOUNG MAN WHO KNOWS WHERE HE'S GOING THIS SEASON..... JOHN BEHARRELL



John Beharrell... golfer of the year

No Rock 'n' Roll In Babe's Golf

By RONALD HEAGER

Kingpin of the rock 'n' roll kids at the Sutton Coldfield Dance Club is a husky 18-year-old with a wide-open-spaces complexion and a head of fair hair. This particular animated young man also happens to be Britain's Golfer of the Year... John Beharrell.

Babe Beharrell, record-making, youngest-ever, Amateur Golf Champion, is an "n" and "a" addict. He says: "Dancing is my other recreation. I rock 'n' roll."

John, I am happy to report, is not letting the rock 'n' roll get into his golf swing.

Ten days ago he began to take the winter wraps off his game with regular morning practice, supervised twice a week by professional Jack Cawsey.

Earlier in the winter he began a fitness routine of 30 minutes' road work three evenings a week.

'YOU MUST BE FIT'

Said know-where-I'm-going John: "Did it last year. To play

any sport you must be fit. It stood me in good stead in the championship."

This boy Beharrell is so sensible. He is British Champion... at 18, he is nationally-acclaimed golf hero of 1956.

Yet already he is prepared to write off 1956 and begin again. He enters the fresh golfing year with this starily sane philosophy:—

"The thing is to forget the past and think about the future. Count me as just another aspiring young golfer who plans to do well this season."

"Of course I want to make the Walker Cup team (the match is in America in August). But above all I want to win my place on merit this season."

We met in Birmingham's solid "City" quarter of smog-stained office blocks. Soberly prosperous. Impressively brass-plated. Beharrell works there. His brass plate reads: Scholefield, Goodman and Sons. "We are export agents," said John.

He began last November, is going through all departments. His father is joint managing director.

With a new-boy grin he told me: "We handle anything from motor cycles to millinery. Bicycle bells to false teeth."

And with due family pride: "The firm dates back to 1782."

HIS PLANS

I went to see John to talk about the plans, the preparations of Britain's golfing prodigy, the new Bobby Jones. That had to wait.

Last year—his year of glory—John played all the golf he wanted as a fresh-air cure for a serious illness.

Now he says: "I have to earn a living—of course. The office takes priority. Golf will have to fit in with work."

Beharrell's job is unlikely to affect his form adversely. He is going to work at the game with characteristic thoroughness.

He comments: "After a long winter rest I feel more determined than ever. And what is more, fitter and stronger than this time last year."

I almost forgot. John, a life member of Little Aston and other clubs, a country member of Royal Liverpool, has been elected a member of the Royal and Ancient. That I care for.

What will the "n" and "a" result? (London Express Service.)

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The Wonder Of Walsall DORMAN SPIRIT CATCHES ON

By ALAN WILLIAMS

Walsall was the club that almost died of shame.... Soccer's re-election champions... whipping-boys of Division III (South). But now it's a different story at Fellows Park. Walsall have swept from 23rd to 8th in the table in two months. And all because one day last November their directors finally faced the facts.

Walsall, more or less as usual, were last but one in the table, knocked out of the FA Cup. Chairman Neville Longmore and his board knew they could not count on the League clubs doing the fifth "cold pail" act in six seasons at voting time next June.

So one November morning the directors called the players together and bluntly told them: "This is our last chance of survival as a League club. You must give 100 per cent from now on. We can hardly apply for re-election again."

With this grim meeting behind them, the team went to Exeter on November 25 in fighting mood. They had not won there for nine years, but this time scraped through 1-0.

TRANSFORMED

Key move that transformed Walsall on the field was the switching of Don Dorman from right-half to inside-right.

Dorman preferred wing-half, but in the new Walsall spirit he said: "If it is in the club's interest, it's OK by me."

Next week they held leaders Southampton to a draw, then took a point from Coventry with only nine fit men.

The 7-1 thrashing of Millwall followed and the Fellows Park crowd still thought it was a flash in the pan. Only 7,000 saw the seven-goal spree.

But the goals still come and supporters who had given Walsall up years ago began to swarm back.

The other Saturday the 6-3 defeat of Norwich was watched by a crowd of over 16,000.

It was Walsall's 11th successive League game without defeat—a club record.

Ask manager Jack Love the reason for Walsall's transformation and he says: "The skill and promise have been there for quite a time, but the big failing was lack of confidence. The 7-1 beating of Millwall did the trick."

FIGHTER

"In the old days a goal against generally meant the end," says Love. "Now we have the power to come again."

Quite a lot of young players have developed this season, but the bulk of credit for the revival goes to Dorman.

Always a fighter since his Army days, he has instilled in the side the sort of spirit that has been the lifeblood of Cup winners like Newcastle and Birmingham.

"When we started our run, I told the lads we must treat

every game like a Cup Final," says Dorman.

And Walsall... they whisper about promotion now... had to find that Cup courage or quit. (London Express Service.)

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JACK LOVE

LOOKING AT SPORT

Centre-Half? That's Easy Says Dickinson

By DENNIS HART

"Elderly soccer gentleman seeks post. Would make ideal centre-half."

We haven't quite got to that stage yet but the way things are going I wouldn't be surprised if that is the sort of advertisement we shall see in a few years time.

England centre-half Billy Wright reckons that moving into the middle has added quite a few seasons to his career. Now Jimmy Dickinson, the man who has never left England down in his 48 appearances at left-half, has taken over the centre spot to help his club out of trouble.

And Jimmy's verdict? He gave it to me after turning in a grand display against Arsenal. "I found the going much easier than at wing half. I still prefer my old position and reckon I've got a few more seasons there. But then I wouldn't mind retiring to the centre-half position."

Retiring! It's enough to make the old fashioned attacking centre-halves turn in their graves. Before the "third back" game was introduced, the side was built round the man with the number five jersey.

There is now a move in English soccer to make the centre-half more mobile, but the fact remains: it can be an easy number.

A LARGE LAD

This is a danger. For it is often reckoned that a centre-half need only be a large lad who can put boot and head to ball with considerable force. And when that is all that is required the player has no incentive to master his football craft.

The result is that men who have really made their mark as centre-halves have often been converted into wing halves or inside forwards.

This applies to eight of the eleven centre-halves England have fielded since the war. Jimmy Dickinson went on to explain to me that he found

playing wing half made the going easy for him when he moved across to the centre. For, instinctively, he tried to use the ball constructively. Instead of giving it a first time boot.

And the moral of this story? Give all centre-halves a spell in a more constructive position. Better still, encourage them to play constructive soccer from the centre.

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Saturday 9th and Saturday 16th February, 1957

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The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race run at 2.00 p.m. on both days.

The Secretary's Office at Alexandra House will close at 11.45 a.m. on both days.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED. All persons MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

Admission Badges at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable from the Club's Cash Sweep Office, at Queen's Building, Charter Road only on the written introduction of a Member, who will be responsible for all visitors introduced by him.

Tickets will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 72811).

The 6th Floor is restricted to Members and Ladies wearing Lady's Brooches.

NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises during the Meeting. For this purpose a Child is a person under the age of seventeen years, Western Standard.

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The price of admission will be \$3.00 each per day payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

MEALS and REFRESHMENTS will be obtainable in the RESTAURANT.

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Servants must remain in their employers' boxes except for passing through on their duties. They may on no account use the Betting Booths or Pay Out Booths in the Enclosures.

CASH SWEEPS

Through Cash Sweep Tickets at \$10.00 each per day and \$32.00 for both days may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at Queen's Building, (Charter Road), and 5, D'Almeida Street during normal office hours and until 11.00 a.m. on the day of the Race Meeting.

Particular numbers within the series 1 to 3,000 may be reserved for all race meetings as Through Tickets. Such tickets will be issued consecutively only and the right is reserved by the Club to cancel any reservation for Through Tickets for a particular Meeting if it is found that sales may not reach the number reserved in the series 1 to 3,000.

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Tickets reserved and available but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 8th February, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future Meetings.

Tickets over 3,000 will also be issued consecutively but particular numbers cannot be reserved as Through Tickets.

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The Stewards reserve the right to refuse any subscription also the right to remove any name from Subscription Lists without stating reasons for their action.

Cash Sweep Tickets on the last race of the Meeting at \$2.00 each may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at Queen's Building (Charter Road), 5, D'Almeida Street and 582, Nathan Road during normal office hours and until 11.00 a.m. on the day of the Race Meeting.

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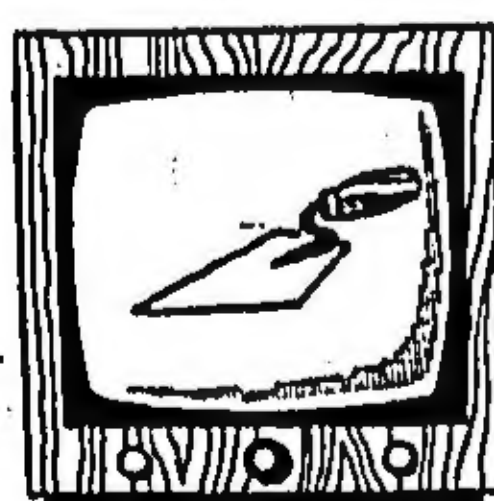
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A. E. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

NEW ROLE FOR POLE VAULTER



British pole vaulter Geoff Elliott, in a new role as a rugby player is set for a tumble as he is well tackled when attempting to find touch in the match between United Hospitals and Oxford University at Richmond Athletic ground, Surrey on January 30. Geoff was one of three London University players in the United Hospitals team.—Reuterphoto.



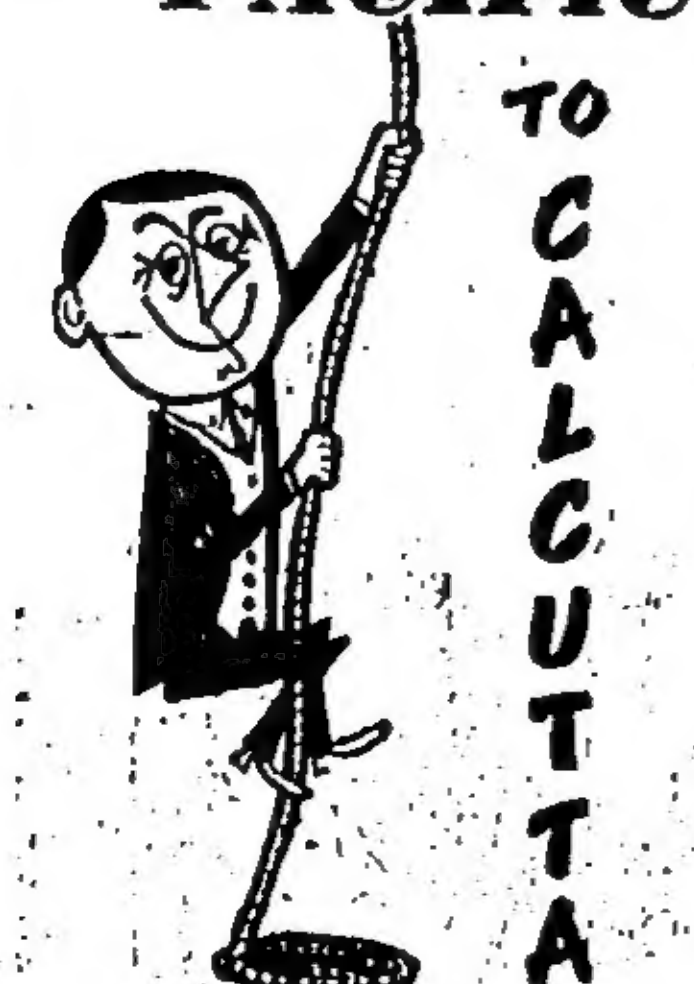
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1 Famous emperor
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4 Human sound?
5 Order
6 Continent
7 Performing
8 Roman rebel
9 A certain bill
10 Ability

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NEW NATO COMMANDER STRESSES UNITY

Paris, Feb. 6.
WHILE the Atlantic Alliance is still recovering from the stresses of the Suez crisis, General Lauris Norstad, the new Supreme Commander Allied Powers in Europe, is hammering home the lesson that unity is strength.

This tall, boyish-faced American who, at 49, is the youngest four-star General in the United States Air Force, took over from General Alfred Gruenther on November 20, soon after Anglo-French intervention in Egypt. He has since started a round of official visits to Allied Headquarters strung out over a 4,000-mile arc from the Arctic Circle to Turkey.

General Norstad is the first American to assume the highest military post in the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation and in his public statements he has laid out plans to dispel speculation that this means a change in shape, strategy and organization.

CHANGE OCCURRED

In fact, General Norstad says, the revolutionary change has already occurred. It came in 1954, when the 15 Atlantic allies first decided to plan on the basis of full use and exploitation of nuclear and other new weapons and techniques. Closely associated with the North Atlantic Organisation since its inception in 1949, General Norstad has shared actively in its defence planning.

"Our present plans reflect the new developments," he told journalists on recent visits to Mediterranean and Southern



GENERAL LAURIS NORSTAD

Europe Headquarters in Malta and Naples. Changes made, he added, would be those of normal growth and development, but he did not expect any drastic or radical changes in the near future.

Asked if he thought that the West still had atomic superiority, his answer was a "positive and definite yes."

"Our plans of necessity are based on the use of atomic weapons if they are required," he stated. "I believe that if the preservation of freedom depends on the use of these weapons they must and will be used."

"If we do what we reasonably should do in the next few years I believe that we can and shall be successful in accomplishing our first mission—to maintain freedom and preserve peace."

GRUENTHER'S WARNING

General Norstad, asked about General Gruenther's recent warning that if the Soviet Union used rockets against member countries of the organization, retaliation would follow "just as surely as day follows night... and as of now the Soviet Union would be destroyed," was equally forthright. On the question of war or peace, he declared: "I believe that our strength is so great that a war is unlikely except as a matter of unfortunate accident or unfortunate misunderstanding. That is so because the strength and capacity of our forces are generally known."

"I believe that in the event of war it would be difficult to say who would win, but the destruction we could accomplish is of such magnitude—and this is known to the Russians—that it is a great power of deterrence. The fact that the Russians know this should be sufficient to prevent an accident which could lead to war. I should say that strength is on our side."

Replying to other questions, General Norstad said that the North Atlantic Treaty forces were "somewhat weaker" as a result of French and British troop withdrawals for Algeria and Egypt. But he apparently attaches more importance to the build-up of West German forces, which he said he hoped would be available within the

next year in substantial numbers.

General Norstad, the son of a Lutheran pastor, has been called "the philosopher in uniform." Here, on his recent theme of unity, is a sample of the Norstad philosophy:

"When the history of our times is written and historians are searching for the basic cause of our success they will find that the foundation of our military strength was our essential unity of purpose."

"I believe that the great factor on our side will be the unity of purpose of the peoples of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation and the relationship and understanding which exists among them."

General Norstad has had a meteoric career in the United States Air Force, rising from first lieutenant to Major-General in 10 years. Lieutenant-General at the age of 40 and full General at the age of 45. When in civilian clothes he has often been mistaken for a junior officer, but behind the youthful appearance and the ice-blue eyes is one of the world's keenest military brains.

WAR SERVICE

Service during World War II took him to Britain, Algeria and Italy and he returned to Europe in 1951 as Commander-in-Chief of the United States Air Force there and later as Commander-in-Chief Allied Air Forces, Central Europe. He was Air Deputy to the Supreme Commander from July 1953 until he took over from General Gruenther in November.—China Mail Special.

Ike Blesses Euratom Nations

Washington, Feb. 6.
President Eisenhower expressed the hope today that creation of the six-nation European atomic energy community would lead to "fruitful partnership with the United States to the benefit of the entire free world."

The White House reported that Mr. Eisenhower made the statement at a meeting with representatives of the European community known as Euratom. It is backed by West Germany, France, Italy, the Netherlands, Belgium and Luxembourg.

Mr. Murray Snyder, assistant press secretary, said Mr. Eisenhower also "reiterated his strong and continuing support for European integration."

The Euratom representatives earlier had reported the President to be "very much in favour" of helping the European nations develop atomic power for peaceful purposes.—China Mail Special.

Super-Carriers Planned In Germany

Hamburg, Feb. 6.
Duetsche Werft, West Germany's biggest shipyard, is designing "super-carriers" of 65,000 tons and over, it was disclosed today.

Work has already begun on plans to build the giant ships in, according to an article by the yard's managing director, Dr. Wilhelm Scholz, published in the yard's information bulletin.

The yard recently turned down an order from the Greek shipowner, Mr. Stavros Niarchos, for ten giant oil and ore ships capable of carrying loads of between 130,000 tons and 150,000 tons.—China Mail Special.

TERRORIST OUTRAGE



Victims of a bomb outrage in an Algerian cafe are carried on stretchers to the ambulance after an explosion which was one of a recent series in various parts of Algeria—on the eve of UNO's debate on the Algerian problem. Five persons were killed, 50 injured in the outrages.—Express Photo.

Yugoslav-E. German Talks Break Down

Belgrade, Feb. 6.
Yugoslav-East German trade talks in East Berlin have broken down because the East Germans wanted an agreement signed on a governmental basis, the Belgrade newspaper Politika said tonight.

Foreign observers here said that because Yugoslavia has no diplomatic relations with East Germany, a governmental signing would have meant formal recognition of the East German state, which Yugoslavia so far has refused.

Yugoslavia has diplomatic relations only with West Germany, the observers said.

The talks were between delegations from the East German and Yugoslav chambers of foreign trade.

Politika reported that the Yugoslav delegation, led by Mr. Ivan Barbalic, Secretary-General of the Yugoslav chamber, would leave Berlin tonight after 10 days of negotiation.—China Mail Special.

SWEDISH RESTAURANTS TRYING TO REGAIN CUSTOMERS

Stockholm, Feb. 6.
Swedish restaurants are trying to regain the thousands of customers they have lost since the end of liquor rationing one year ago. They are redecorating their premises, furnishing them with more comfortable chairs, deep piled carpets and softer lights.

Many have engaged better chefs to improve the standard of cooking, which is good but limited in range compared with, say, the cuisine of the Latin countries. This is not because the Swedes cannot cook but, chefs say, because kitchen staff are underpaid here. The best Swedish chefs go abroad, where they can earn higher wages.

At the same time, the restaurants are bringing in Italian and French food and social conditions in Sweden more advantageous than in their own countries. Their gross earnings may be lower here, but they have many benefits like free medical treatment, hospitalisation regulated working hours and so on to compensate. This Latin influx is widening the range of dishes offered in the restaurants. Indeed, one or two of Stockholm's restaurants are now specialising in "continental cuisine."

Restaurants Hit

The end of liquor rationing hit the restaurants because people can now drink at home instead of going to restaurants to get out their supplies of spirits.

In the days of rationing, the maximum monthly allocation of spirits was three litres (about 3 bottles) per person. This "under-privileged" like bachelors and widowers, received less. Only the married man was considered responsible enough to qualify for the whole three litres. But this privileged position was marred by the fact that his wife was not entitled to a ration at all—so he had to share his with her.

To maintain harmony in the home, married couples, along with spinsters, bachelors and other thirsty souls, went to the restaurants when their monthly ration was finished. Even in

Counter-Tricks

It was made more worth while when benevolent waiters served drinks over the 16 centilitres, as some did. Also, the guests could order "grogs" after their meal. The strong local spirit drunk with hors d'oeuvres) and one large brandy or liqueur, taken with coffee, the meal at the restaurant was worth while.

The result of these restrictions and counter-tricks was to make the Swedish restaurant something of a hangout from home like the English bar. Some of the restaurants lying off the tourist bent became almost clubs to their regular clients. Now, those clients find it cheaper, cooler and simpler to meet and eat drink and be merry in their own homes.

This trend has been encouraged by the so-called "pouring out tax," levied on all restaurant drinks in addition to the manufacturing and sales taxes. Drinking in restaurants has, in fact, become too expensive for the average Swede.

The extent of the restaurants' loss is shown by the fact that one big Stockholm chain reported a loss of over 1,000,000 crowns (about 270,000 sterling) in 1956. About 1,000 of its staff of 8,000 had to be stood off for reasons of economy.

Guests Welcomed

Some of the smaller restaurants have had to close down, and others will undoubtedly have to do so, since Sweden developed too many restaurants during the rationing period, which lasted from the end of World War I to the end of 1955. Many establishments made their money, not out of the food, but out of the drinks which they served with the food.

The foreign tourist coming to Sweden will gain by the changes.

He will find better food, easier-to-get drinks and better service. In the boom days of spirits rationing, the unknown restaurant guest could hardly get through the door before he was asked by the stock-room attendant or a forbidding head waiter, "Have you booked a table?"

Now, guests are welcomed with deference. And they gain too, for the staff are really intent on pleasing them.—China Mail Special.

Radioactive Waste Danger From Ships

London, Feb. 6.
Danger that might arise from radioactive waste from atomically propelled ships docked in British ports was being carefully considered, the House of Lords was told today.

Lord Home, Secretary for Commonwealth Relations, told questioners the Government was fully alive to the necessity of considering when the time was ripe whether any special safety regulations would be needed.

It would probably be some years before merchant ships were propelled by atomic energy.

Lord Home said it would seem there should be some international code covering this kind of invention.—China Mail Special.

Haiti Strike Over

Port-Au-Prince, Feb. 6.
The general strike in Port-Au-Prince, ended today. The strike broke out yesterday as a protest, calling for the resignation of the Provisional President, Joseph-Nemours Pierre-Louis.

Pierre-Louis is accused of protecting the interests of the former President, Paul Magloire.

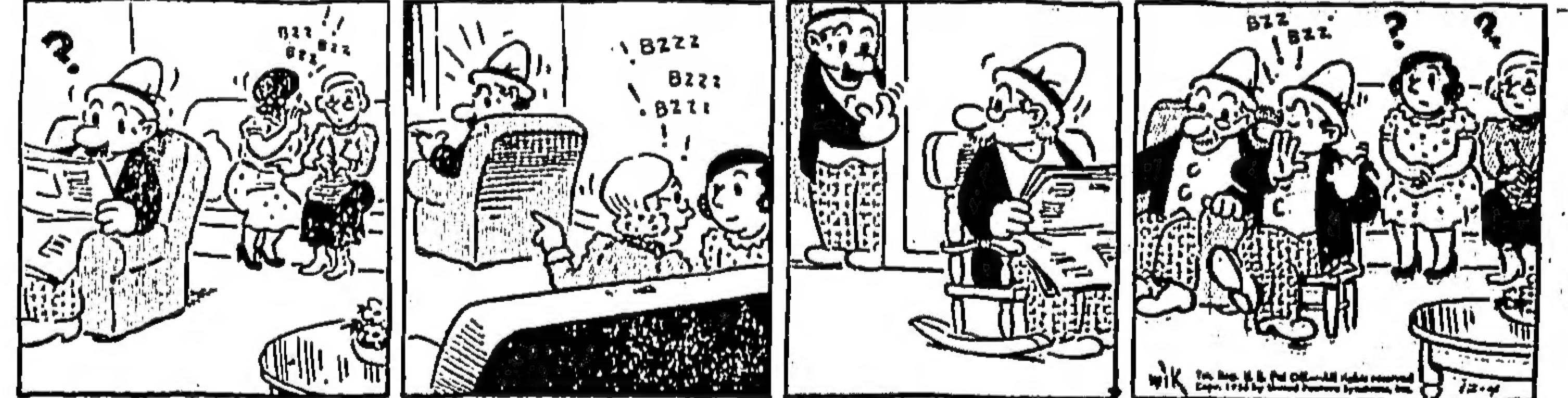
The two Houses of the Haiti Parliament are studying the problem of nominating a new President.—France Press.

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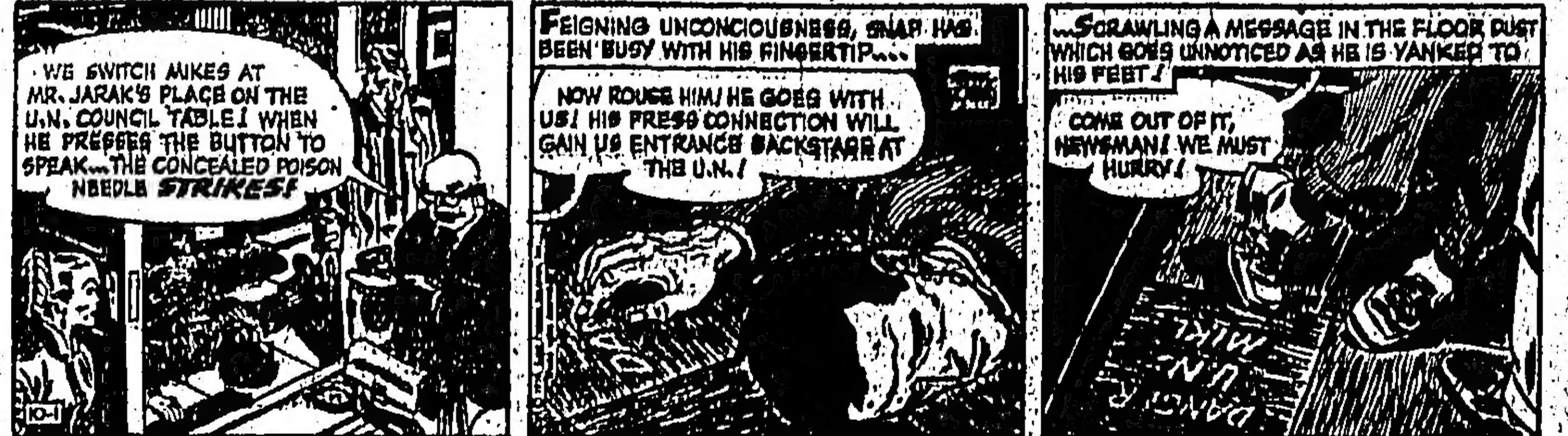
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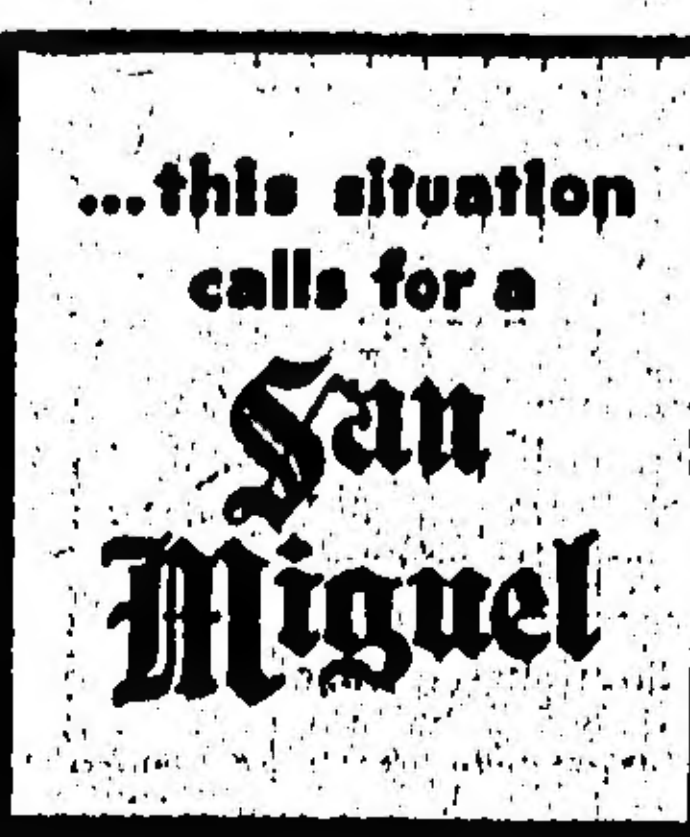


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TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

BRITONS' MONEY IN 1957

WHAT DOES THE YEAR HOLD IN STORE?

An assessment by
ALEXANDER THOMSON

A FINE new phrase has been coined by Mr. Peter Thorneycroft in his first few days as Chancellor of the Exchequer. Britain, he says, must be made an Opportunity State.

This is a stimulating thought as we stand in the hallway of 1957.

And I say here and now that the biggest opportunities of all lie before the new Government of which Mr. Thorneycroft is so prominent and promising a member.

It is knee deep in them, with the leadership we are now so brilliantly displaying in atomic engineering and other new fields.

With the right policies, Britain could end this year on the threshold of a real expansion in general well-being. If Government spending is slashed, our prosperity could be the genuine article—not the phoney by-product of rising prices and inflation.

Taking a look down the long corridor of 1957, this is what I see.

PRODUCTION

UNTIL the Suez Canal is cleared, and oil supplies are back to normal, the outlook is uncertain. Industrial output may even fall between now and next June because of fuel oil shortage. But the autumn it could be recovering strongly, given the right encouragement.

For two years industry has been spending large sums in increasing and modernising its plant and machinery. Economists reckon that by the end of 1957 productive capacity could be as much as £1,500 million a year higher than the present annual rate.

HOME TRADE

LAST year consumption rose only slightly, due to the first harsh impact of the credit squeeze. But in 1957 there could be a much bigger expansion, once the oil question is settled. Income earmarked for "never-never" payments before the squeeze started should be freed for more purchases this year. Even the hard-hit motor industry could feel the effect of this before the end of the year.

OVERSEAS TRADE

OPPORTUNITIES for Britain's exporters will be greater than in 1956, which was a record year.

Australia has already said she is going to ease up her import curbs following a rise in raw wool. New Zealand may do so, too. And the USA where we did remarkably well last year, should also be a good market.

With more plant put to work, our delivery dates will shorten, which will help increase competitive power. Imports will be larger as we stock up again with raw materials after the reopening of the Suez Canal. But the balance could still be in our favour.

We should have an overall surplus of between £50 million and £60 million for the year.

PROFITS AND THE STOCK EXCHANGE

PROFITS will be lower, reflecting the 1956 fall in margins. But there should not be a great number of dividend reductions, for most companies have been far more cautious in their payments than before the war.

Towards the end of the year profits may begin to expand again. And the Stock Exchange, anticipating this, should continue its recovery.

THE £

THE next few months will almost certainly be a time of strain while we have to continue buying dollar oil. But the strains should be less severe than at the end of last year when the £ was hit so hard. The alarming fall in the gold standard itself was not due to a bad overseas trading position. Our exports achieved new records in 1956.

And we probably had a balance of payments surplus of £60 million or so in the second half of the year.

Britain. If the new Government shows a determination to cut expenditure, this movement could soon be reversed.

THE BUDGET

SO Mr. Thorneycroft's first step in launching the Opportunity State could well be a reduction in Bank rate.

After that—and even more important—will come his Budget. "We want men and women to see the opportunities ahead," he says. His policy must be to make sure they seize them.

But until he can get defence expenditure down to a more reasonable level he will have to go carefully.

He will probably not feel justified in providing major incentives for both individuals and industry this year. So his first thought should be for industry—to help it continue expansion and modernisation.

Cheaper money rates will be of assistance here. Tax and other allowances for new plant should be restored.

The undistributed profits tax should be scrapped. It is ridiculous to put an extra tax on profits "ploughed back" by industry.

If Mr. Thorneycroft feels he can also do something for the individual, this time, it is the young executives he should think of. The starting level for surtax should be raised from £2,000 to at least £2,500. Such a move is long overdue.

And if the boss gets a little "on account," there should be something for the workers, too. A reduced rate of income tax for overtime would be a fine starting point.

This year without a doubt, the opportunities will be there, once we get that Canal on a working basis again. So welcome the Opportunity State idea. It is the best line yet we have had from the new Government. (London Express Service).

New York Sugar Market

New York, Feb. 6.
World No. 4 sugar futures today closed 7 to 18 points higher with sales of 2,598 contracts.

Domestic No. 6 sugar futures closed 1 to 11 points higher with sales of 184 contracts.

Volume in the world contract was the largest for any session in 20 years—since Jan. 1937 when trading in the contract was first initiated.

While the market finished on higher ground, prices fluctuated erratically with commission houses and trade interests on both sides of the market. Underlying strength reflected the higher raw market.

In world raws, European buyers reportedly contracted for 3,000 tons of Cuban raws into Tuesday, while the United Kingdom reportedly sold 20,000 tons of refined to Norway.

Meanwhile, the trade became confused as to extent of anticipated buying by Japan under an expected supplementary budget allocation covering the October-March period. On Tuesday, some quarters thought this buying might reach 30,000 tons. Today, other observers scaled the figure down to about 30,000 tons, with the possibility that some of the demand would be furnished by Brazil.

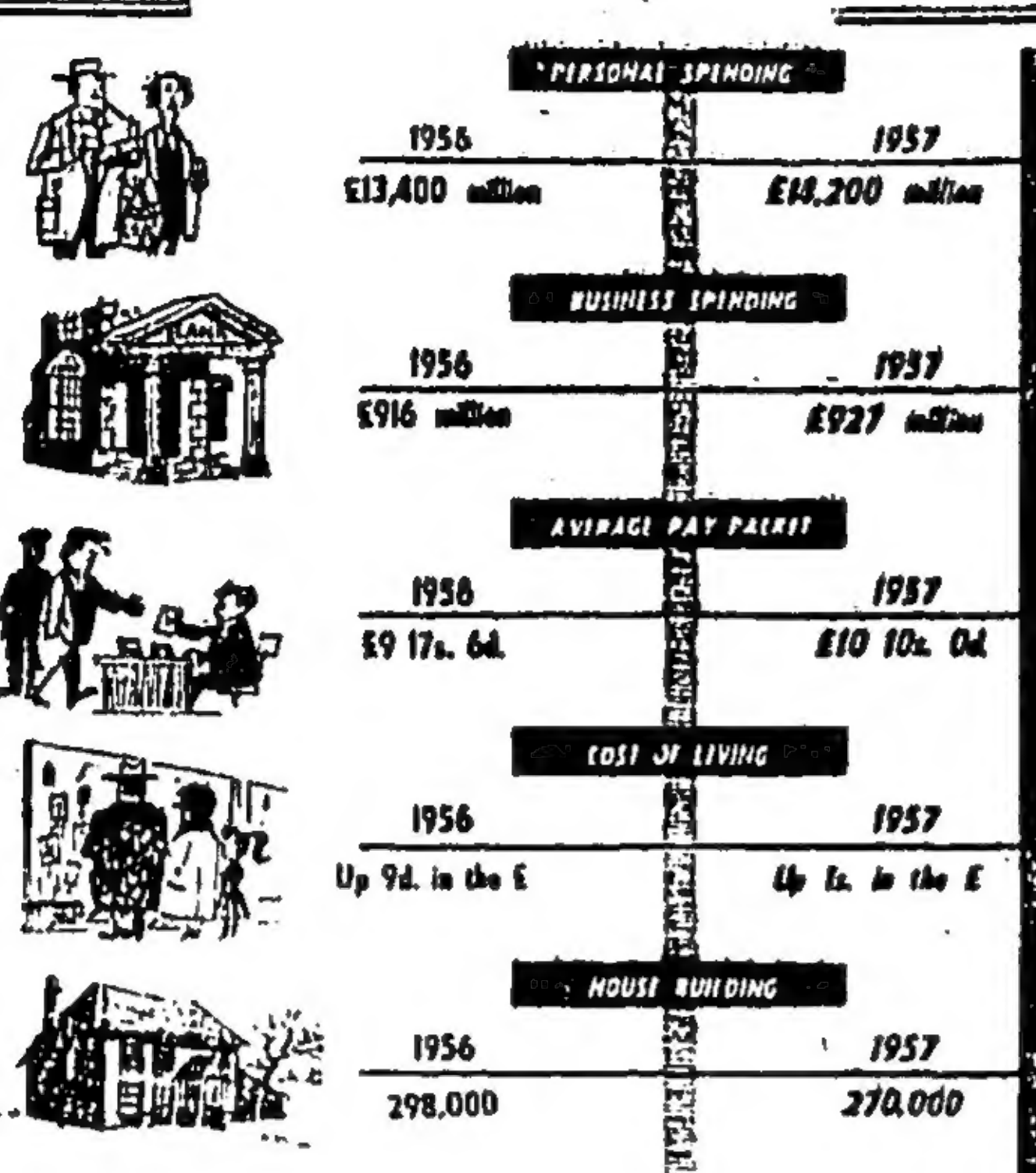
Contract No. 4 (world)
March 5.80-61
May 5.80-53
Sept. 5.80-53
Mar. 5.80
May 5.80
July 5.80
Spot (cents per lb.) 5.75
Open interest: 5,242 contracts.

Contract No. 6 (Domestic)
March 5.63
May 5.63
Sept. 5.77
Mar. 5.77
May 5.77
July 5.77
Spot (cents per lb.) 5.60
Open interest: 3,454 contracts.

NAMESAKES

Answers:—1 Julius, 2 Alexander, 3 Philip, 4 Volpe, 5 Dischline, 6 America, 7 Acting, 8 Britus, 9 Portland, 10 Talent, James Mason.

Here are forecasts of the pattern of Britain's economy during 1957, based on estimates from trade and other informed quarters



WALL STREET MAKES LATE RALLY

New York, Feb. 6.
Stocks rallied late in the session today after an early decline had brought down a long list by fractions to more than a point.

The recovery lacked vigour just as the decline did that preceded it failed to generate the kind of buying rush that Wall Street had hoped for—the kind that developed in five rallies from similar low levels last year.

News of the session lacked inspiration. It included a warning by President Eisenhower that if business and labour did not show restraint, the Government would be forced to institute controls.

Since it came on low volume, Wall Street regarded the recovery as largely technical and some experts continued to warn that the 400 level in the industrial average still might meet further tests.

Best recoveries came into the steel, copper, tyres and individual issues of the motor, chemical, and aircraft sections as well as several specialties.

Copper Cut

After the close, Custom Smelter cut the price of copper metal by a cent a pound, a move that apparently had not been anticipated by those who bought copper shares to help them rally.

The Dow-Jones industrial average closed with a gain of .85 after being off more than a point most of the day. Ralls, off nearly a point, during the early hours, finished with a rise of .12.

Transactions for the day totalled 2,110,000 shares against 2,610,000 shares in the previous session. Volume leaders in order of size were US Hoffman, Avco, General Motors, and General Electric.

Of the 1,102 issues traded, 468 advanced, 306 declined and 308 were unchanged. There were but two highs—Intertype and Kansas City Gas & Electric—and 55 new lows for 1956-57.

NY Stock Exchange bond volume was \$4,030,000. American Stock Exchange volume was 710,000 shares. Dow-Jones closing averages were:

30 Industrials 479.51
20 Ralls 143.38
10 Utilities 70.50
60 Stocks 107.57
40 Bonds 90.63
Comm. future price index 148.07
Moody's index 123.10

Closing Prices

Aldor Inc. Adv. 1.15
Allied Chemicals 1.15
Allied Chem. Ind. 1.15
Allied Chem. Ind. 1.15
American Airlines 1.15
American Cable & Radio Corp. 1.15
American Cyanamid Co. 1.15
American Express 1.15
Am. Mach. & Tool 1.15
American Metal 1.15
American Smelting 1.15
Am. Sugar Ref. 1.15
American Tel. & Tel. 1.15
American Tobacco 1.15

WORLD RUBBER MARKETS

New York, Feb. 6.
The rex contract closed today 50 to 55 points higher with sales of 228 contracts.

Standard contract closed 50 to 55 points higher with no sales reported.

Technical replacement buying, plus a moderate demand from medium and small sized factories in the spot market, and a scarcity of Eastern shipment offerings all combined to inject a note of strength to the terminal market.

Speculative interests wondered whether the market was "scrapping the bottom" after the recent long decline.

Dealer interests were buyers on balance, while recent sellers turned to cover pending a "new look at the picture."

Priority buying included some "fair sized weights" on April-May-June delivery for 400 sheets at 20 1/2 to 30 cents a pound, with further buyers apparent at the latter price as sellers moved up 1/4 cent. Spot No. 1 Rex locally was quoted at 30 1/2 cents a pound. A good part of the terminal market business was represented in exchanges of May and November contracts for physical rubber.

SINGAPORE

The market opened steady on improved London advice and steadied further during the day on better buying interest for most grades.

Shortly before the close with No. 1 Rex at 80 1/2 cents a pound a "fair sized weight" was secured. The market closed at the lowest for the day. Futures:

No. 1 rubber per lb. Feb. 80 1/2-81 1/2
No. 2 rubber per lb. Feb. 80 1/2-81 1/2
No. 3 rubber per lb. Feb. 80 1/2-81 1/2
No. 4 rubber per lb. Feb. 80 1/2-81 1/2
No. 5 rubber per lb. Feb. 80 1/2-81 1/2
No. 6 rubber per lb. Feb. 80 1/2-81 1/2
No. 7 rubber per lb. Feb. 80 1/2-81 1/2
No. 8 rubber per lb. Feb. 80 1/2-81 1/2
No. 9 rubber per lb. Feb. 80 1/2-81 1/2
No. 10 rubber per lb. Feb. 80 1/2-81 1/2

LONDON

The market was firm with spot quoted at 25.11/16 pence per lb. Prices:

No. 1 Rex spot 25 1/16-25 1/8
No. 2 Rex spot 25 1/16-25 1/8
No. 3 Rex spot 25 1/16-25 1/8
No. 4 Rex spot 25 1/16-25 1/8
No. 5 Rex spot 25 1/16-25 1/8
No. 6 Rex spot 25 1/16-25 1/8
No. 7 Rex spot 25 1/16-25 1/8
No. 8 Rex spot 25 1/16-25 1/8
No. 9 Rex spot 25 1/16-25 1/8
No. 10 Rex spot 25 1/16-25 1/8

AMSTERDAM

The market was quiet. Prices closed today in guilders per kilogram, cif Feb. as follows:

No. 1 rubber 2.50 buyers
No. 2 rubber 2.40
No. 3 rubber 2.40
No. 4 rubber 2.40
No. 5 rubber 2.40
No. 6 rubber 2.40
No. 7 rubber 2.40
No. 8 rubber 2.40
No. 9 rubber 2.40
No. 10 rubber 2.40

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET

Chicago, Feb. 6.
Grain futures rallied at mid-morning on the Board of Trade, and all prices finished substantially above the previous close.

At the opening, liquidation carried prices downward, and those contracts set new seasonal lows, in subsequent dealings, prices rallied on short covering with locals and commission houses active buyers.

Soybeans also rallied along with grains which active buying developed after the early sell-off. Argentinian announced moderate sales of wheat to France last night, and US exporters said Japan bought more than 3,000,000 bushels of US wheat for March-April shipment. Export quotations in this country also stated that Turkey is scheduled to buy close to 3,750,000 bushels of US wheat on Thursday.

Grains at outside markets were irregular. Wheat closing range: 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 cents. Soybeans closing range: 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 cents. United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local currency exchange market today in cents per £ 18. as follows:

March 15.77-15.78
April 15.77-15.78
May 15.77-15.78
June 15.77-15.78
July 15.77-15.78
August 15.77-15.78
September 15.77-15.78
October 15.77-15.78
November 15.77-15.78
December 15.77-15.78

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)
Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$850,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

Shares Buyers Sellers Sales
HANKS HK Bank 1600 1613
East Asia 254

INSURANCES Union 955
SHIPPING Wheelocks 870 0.80 500 0.75 2040 0.73

DOCKS, ETC. Dieck XE 4470 451 1203 43
Provident 1330 1315 100 0.10

HK Hotel 1910 1930 4000 0.15 10
HK Land 0114 02 20 0.01
Humphreys 1840 1860 300 0.15

RUBBER Amalg. 1421 150 3000 0.15 1.25
Trust 1621 207 1.03
Yammat 103 105 80 0.10 104

C. Light 2310 2340 80 0.22 10
Electric 311 311 500 0.23 10
Macao Tel. Phone 900 241 2470 23.80 23.80

INDUSTRIALS Cement 381 38 100 0.10 10
Rope 1150 1150 100 0.10 10
STONES, ETC. Dairy 1550 10 500 0.10 10

WATER COTTONS Textile 4071 415 2000 0.47 470
Nanyang 830 840 500 0.47 470

NEW YORK Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Spot 35.42
Mar. 35.42
May 35.42
July 35.42
Oct. 35.42
Dec. 35.42
Mar. 35.42
May 35.42
July 35.42
Oct. 35.42
Dec. 35.42

NEW ORLEANS Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Spot 34.10
Mar. 34.10
May 34.10
July 34.10
Oct. 34.10
Dec. 34.10
Mar. 34.10
May 34.10
July 34.10
Oct. 34.10
Dec. 34.10

LIVERPOOL Futures closings, in pence per lb. were as follows:

New contract Mar./Apr. 28.85
May/June 28.85
July/Aug. 28.85
Sept./Oct. 28.85
Nov./Dec. 28.85
Jan./Feb. 28.85
Mar./Apr. 28.85
May/June 28.85
July/Aug. 28.85
Sept./Oct. 28.85
Nov./Dec. 28.85
Jan./Feb. 28.85

London Foreign Exchange Closing rates were:

New York 2.81 1/2-2.82 1/2
London 10.07-10.07 1/2
Paris 11.75 1/2-11.75 1/2
Frankfurt 11.75 1/2-11.75 1/2
Milan 11.75 1/2-11.75 1/2
Stockholm 14.40 1/2-14.40 1/2
Others were unchanged.

New York exchange rates were unavailable.—United Press.

LONDON METAL PRICES

London, Feb. 6.
Prices of metals closed today in sterling per long ton as follows:

Tin spot 710 711 1/2
3-month 700 701 1/2
Copper spot 241 242 1/2
3-month 241 242 1/2
Lead 1st half Feb. 115 116 1/2
May 115 116 1/2
Zinc 1st half Feb. 101 102 1/2
May 101 102 1/2

CHICAGO LARD FUTURES

Chicago, Feb. 6.
Prices of lard futures closed today in cents per lb. as follows:

March 15.77-15.78
April 15.77-15.78
May 15.77-15.78
June 15.77-15.78
July 15.77-15.78
August 15.77-15.78
September 15.77-15.78
October 15.77-15.78
November 15.77-15.78
December 15.77-15.78

New York Cotton Futures Close Steady

New York, Feb. 6.
Cotton futures today steadied after a mixed start, substituting small gains for mid-morning losses up to 60 cents a bale.

Closing prices ruled 4 to 7 points higher compared with mid-morning 8 to 12 points. The market opened unchanged to off 2 points. New Orleans closed up 7 to off 6 points.

Spot house buyers in the May-July deliveries, in plus covering in nearby March, and a commission house demand for new crops, found offerings on the light side after an overnight accumulation of liquidation and hedging was absorbed.

A sharp rally in grains and further complaints of droughty conditions in the southwest, despite recent rains, also acted to shape the market at times.

Other traders operated cautiously on either side of the market, pending the weekly report on loan entries and redemptions, scheduled for publication after the close, and awaiting the Government announcement on the interim late rate for the new crop.

In the southwest, crop experts continued to comment on the lack of subsoil moisture, and the limited supply of water, but serves for irrigation in the southwest, as normal planting time is approaching in the lower Rio Grande valley.

The post-opening reaction was coupled with stock market irregularity and continued dullness in the textile market, with further reports of mill curtailment. The certificated stock totaled 2,928 bales.

Months Volume Open Interest
Mar. 18,500 157,500
Apr. 20,000 160,000
May 18,000 150,000
June 18,000 140,000
July 18,000 130,000
Aug. 18,000 120,000
Sept. 18,000 110,000
Oct. 18,000 100,000
Nov. 18,000 90,000
Dec. 18,000 80,000
Total 200,000 1,600,000 bales

Foreign bonds were idle and unchanged.—United Press.

Atomic shares were a bright spot in the lower industrial section, with gains of six points to a shilling. Oil lost 1/2 to 3 shillings in a lack of buying interest.

However, they also saw favourable factors in the pre-war of talk that the bank rate would come down, and reports from Cairo that the Suez Canal could be cleared this month.

The British Government, after opening lower, recovered with gains stretching to more than 8 shillings.

Foreign bonds were idle and unchanged.—United Press.

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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK THE BREAKING POINT

CALM, detached, distant in time and place, the dictionary-makers had a word for what had happened to Fred. "Breaking-point," they wrote. "The limit at which endurance gives way." Fred had reached breaking-point. Endurance was gone from him.

He was a sick man, a lonely man, a hungry, tired, old, frightened man and the busy world of the West had buzzed all around him with total unconcern, and that was too much for him.

Diligent as someone after treasure, Fred searched the alleys round Pleadfully Circus for a weapon. He found one. An empty milk bottle.

DESPERATE
HE hugged the bottle to him, under his thin coat, secretly as if it had been a gun. Then he sought a target. He saw film stars grinning at him from photographs in glass-fronted frames outside a cinema. That was target enough. Fred hurled his bottle with feeble force at the grinning faces. The protective glass shattered. A policeman hurried forward. "Thank God you've come," Fred said. "I've not eaten for two days. I was desperate."

Before he could finish he collapsed. "Due to emotion," they said at the hospital. "His heart's very weak." When Fred was conscious the doctor said: "You must come back here, your heart."

TRANSFORMATION
AT Bow Street, Fred pleaded guilty to wilful damage worth £10. He is a lean, grey, bald man, only 57; no previous convictions, but he had been sacked from a humble general handyman job two days before and could see no future for himself.

"People do find themselves thinking the world is against them, but you can't do this sort of thing," said Mr. Bertram Reece, the magistrate. Fred nodded modified agreement. He was recommended for a medical report, and he went away from the court in a shuffling, limping way. But a strange thing had happened to him. His face was transformed by a smile. Like

Search For Attacker Goes On

Brookhaven, Miss., Feb. 6. A reward fund for the capture of a phantasmic attacker called "The Mumbler" swelled to \$1,200.

The 8,000 residents of this Southern Mississippi town remained tense and vigilant in anticipation of another strike by the man, suspected of attacking three white women in the past three days.

White women kept their doors bolted last night and loaded weapons were close at hand in most homes.

In the series of attacks, one woman was stabbed another was seized in her car but the man fled when she sounded the horn, and the third woman, confronting him in her kitchen, drove him away with her screams.

SAME PERSON?
Two other white women were attacked several weeks ago and officers theorized that the same person was responsible for all five attacks.

City and County officials authorised a \$500 reward for information leading to the capture of "The Mumbler" so called because each of his victims said he only mumbled when he surprised them. Another \$700 was pledged by private citizens.

State Highway Patrol investigators aided the widespread manhunt. Scores of negro suspects were questioned and released.

Sheriff C. E. Smith said "things are pretty well under control," although bands of armed white men roamed the city on Monday night after the latest attack.

"Men have armed themselves for protection and housewives are keeping their doors locked," said Sheriff Smith. — United Press.

Evidence By Expert In Chinese Law

Mr. Loo Hing-yun, Barrister-at-law, and expert in Chinese law, gave evidence this morning on the status of a "tin fong" wife.

Mr. Loo said that a "tin fong" wife was the successor to the first or "kit fat" wife and that a man could not marry a "tin fong" wife during the lifetime of his "kit fat" wife.

Witness was giving evidence in an action involving a family dispute before the Pundit Judge, Mr. Justice J. R. Gregg in the Supreme Court. Plaintiff, Mr. Wong Yung-kuen, ticket collector of 8 Bedford Road, is the grandson of the late Mr. Wong Choi-ho and son of the late Mr. Wong Yuk-shu. He is represented by Mr. John McNeill, QC, and Mr. Victor Clift, instructed by Messrs. Deacons.

Defendants are Mrs. Wong Yu-shi, Mrs. Wong Yan-shi (tin fong wife of Mr. Wong Yuk-shu) and four children, Wong Cheuk-leng, Wong Shu-kuen, Wong Shuk-ping and Wong Puk-kuen.

Mr. V. J. L. D'Alton, instructed by Mr. G. S. Ford, of Ford, Kwan & Co., appears for first defendant. Mr. Terence Shurlock, instructed by M. K. Lam & Co., is representing second, fourth, fifth and sixth defendants.

Plaintiff is suing for accounts and enquiries in respect of the estates of the deceased, for the Court's direction as to the share of benefits to be received from them by members of the family and for the appointment of the judicial trustee as administrator of both estates.

SAME RIGHTS
Mr. Loo who was a former Judge of China for many years, agreed that the "Tin Ching" law also called the Penal Law of China was a revision of the Ming Dynasty Law which covered a period of about 268 years from the first Emperor to the tenth.

Plaintiff is giving his opinion regarding the status of a "tin fong" wife. Mr. Loo went on to say that a concubine could be promoted or recognised by the husband as a "tin fong" after the death of the "kit fat" wife.

Witness further stated that a "tin fong" wife had the same rights as the "kit fat" wife and held the same position. Hearing is continuing.

Mail Notices

The latest times of posting shown below are those for unregistered correspondence posted at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest posting times elsewhere, which, in general, are earlier than the G.P.O. times can be ascertained by enquiry at the local office.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7
By Air: Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.; Korea, 6 p.m.; Thailand, Ceylon, Burma, India, 6 p.m.; U.S.A., 6 p.m.
By Surface: Sarawak, 4 p.m.; Indo-China, Thailand, 5 p.m.; Macao, 6 p.m.
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8
By Air: Germany, 9 a.m.; Cambodia, Malaya, Indonesia, 9 a.m.; Philippines, Australia, New Zealand, 1 p.m.; U.S.A., 1 p.m.; Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.; Japan, 6 p.m.; Formosa, U.S.A., 6 p.m.

US Opposed To Interference

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He said that 50 per cent of the hospital patients in Algeria were local people. Soustelle said that endemic diseases had been sharply reduced and the death rate cut. From a population of 1,500,000 when France had entered the country, Algeria has grown in a century to 8,500,000 indigenous people in 1957.

He said this was due to the solicitude of France, while the rebellion there had brought only destruction, misery and death. Replying to assertions made by the Syrian delegate, Soustelle said the Europeans in Algeria were mostly of modest means, with incomes 20 per cent less than in France.

He said that it was at great cost, with stubborn work and a sometimes frightful mortality rate that the colonists of the last century had made living lands out of dead lands. — France-Press.

Sir Alexander At Taikoo



UK SPENDING TOPS ESTIMATES BY £107 MILLION

London, Feb. 6. The British government today disclosed that it has spent £107 million sterling more than it anticipated in its budget last April.

Major contribution to the sum was the figure of £94,500,000 for supplementary civil estimates. This follows closely on a £39 million bill presented by the Army, mostly for the Suez operations.

Coldest Night This Winter

Hongkong had its coldest night of the winter last night and the temperature dropped to a low of 42.3 degrees just after dawn this morning.

But it was colder at Sek Kong. There the grass minimum (the minimum temperature recorded by a thermometer resting on the ground) was 31.8 degrees.

And the air temperature was 36.8 degrees.

Warm sunshine brought the temperature up during the morning and early this afternoon it was 54 degrees.

MACAO'S 36.6 DEG

Macao, according to a France-Press cable, also had a cold night and a minimum temperature of 36.6 was recorded. The grass temperature was 33.1 degrees.

Farmers reported frost, the cable added.

A Weather Bureau spokesman in Hongkong said no frost was reported here "perhaps because there was a little too much wind."

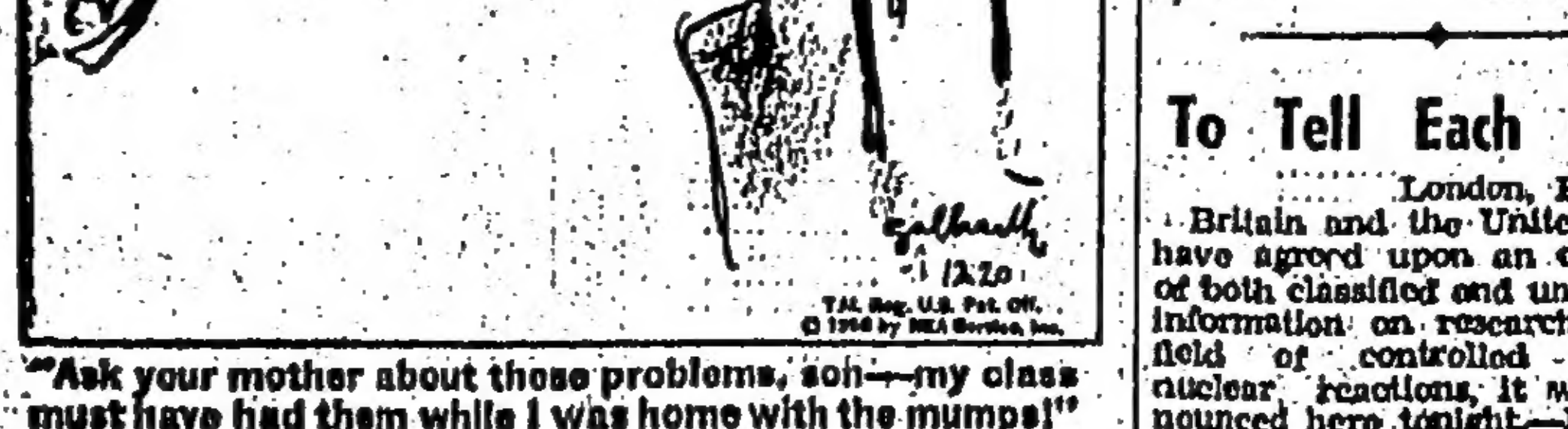
He said it would be cold again this evening.

Petty Thieves

Six cases of larceny from the person were reported to the Police yesterday, four of pocket-picking and two of snatching from women. In three cases the victims had their wallets stolen.

The Police have made arrests in connection with three of the cases.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Ask your mother about those problems, son—my class must have had them while I was home with the mumps!"

Two Women And Man Appeal Against Sentences

Two women and a man who were sent to prison by Mr Justice C. W. Reece at the Criminal Sessions last December 10 for possession of a large quantity of heroin and conspiracy to traffic in the drug, brought an appeal before the Chief Justice, Mr Justice M. J. Hogan, and Senior Puisne Judge, Mr Justice T. J. Gould, sitting on the Full Court this morning.

The women were Wong Shing-chu, 37, and Ting Sut-ching 35, who were given five years. Represented by the Hon. Leo d'Almada, QC, and Mr Brook Bernachi (instructed by Mr P. D. d'Almada Remedios), they are appealing against their conviction by a Jury of both charges of possession and conspiracy.

The third appellant is Wong Fuan, who was sentenced to seven years when he pleaded guilty to possession and was found guilty of conspiracy. He is appealing against the sentence and is represented by Mr Lawrence Leong, instructed by K. F. Wong and Co.

Another woman, Kun Wal-ching, who was the first accused at the trial was discharged. She was found not guilty of conspiracy and the trial Judge directed a formal verdict of Not Guilty on the count of possession.

In opening the appeal on behalf of the two women, Mr d'Almada related the facts of the case. He said that the Police went to premises in Liberty Avenue and Argyle Street and found the women, Kun, and the first appellant, Wong Shing-chu, who were her lover and that she had previously owned the cabinet, but had sold it together with a key which was in it to her lover—

"a transaction which Crown Counsel quite properly described as unromantic," Mr d'Almada added.

He said that the fact that the second appellant had the duplicate key on the ring together with other keys was attributed to the fact that she forgot about it. When she was taken away by the Police she asked the Inspector "help" her but he would submit that in such a case it went for nothing.

Mr d'Almada said that Mr Mayne in his submission at the trial made the submission what-soever that there was any question of the onus having shifted to the first accused, Kun, and the first appellant, Wong Shing-chu, to prove they did not know of the drug. But as the second appellant, Mr Mayne did make the submission that onus shifted on her because of the key to the cabinet found on her ring.

COUNSEL'S COMPLAINT
Mr d'Almada dealt with the verdicts returned by the Jury and told the Court that he hoped to show them later that it was manifest that the Jury attached very great importance to the question of possession in relation to the conspiracy count.

Coming to the grounds of appeal Mr d'Almada first complained of the cross-examination of the second appellant, Ting, as to her husband who had been deported for life in connection with drugs.

Counsel submitted that this cross-examination not only amounted to a cross-examination of character, which had not been in issue, but went further and suggested that Ting had committed a criminal offence by harbouring a deportee. It was a cross-examination which was wholly inadmissible and in the light of the questions and answers must have done untold damage to the case of Ting.

NOT IN ISSUE
Mr d'Almada referred to the exceptions and said that Ting's character was not in issue because she had not claimed to be a virtuous woman. She admitted having a premarital, but her morals had nothing to do with the crime in the present case. In such an instance, these questions were most improper and should not have been allowed because they tended to show that she was a woman who would consort with someone she knew had been deported for life for dealing in the very drug in connection with which she had been charged.

"Incalculable harm must have been done by this line of cross-examination and it was most improper," Mr d'Almada stated. He submitted that the Judge should not have allowed these questions even if Counsel for the defence had not objected. The appeal is proceeding.

Burglars' Big haul
Burglars broke into No. 19, Cooper Road, first floor, Jardine's Lookout between midnight and six o'clock this morning and succeeded in getting away with cash and jewellery valued at approximately \$80,000. The Police are making investigations.

Governor Tours Dockyard

The Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, made a 60-minute tour of the Taikoo Dockyard this morning and inspected ships under construction and repair and also the different workshops.

His Excellency was met at the main entrance to the dockyard by Mr F. Patterson, dockyard manager, Mr J. A. Blackwood, manager of Butterfield and Swire, Limited, Mr D. C. C. Trench, of the Colonial Secretary and Mr E. C. Brown, Labour Officer (Industrial Undertakings).

They conducted the Governor to the drydocks, slipways, electrical workshop, stores section and through the administration offices.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T.
5.30. Time for Children presented by Elizabeth; 6. Time Signal, Programme Summary; 6.30. Portuguese Hour; 6.50. V.O.A.; 7. Pandic 6.50. Weather Report; 7. Time Signal; News; 7.09. Commentary or Top News Item; 7.10. Band Concert; 7.15. Kenton and his Orchestra; 7.45. "Quiet Listening" — Hector Berlioz and his Organ; 8.15. "Beginners Please—Composers: Wallace, Producer: Hilary Green; 8.30. Thursday Serenade; 9. Time Signal; News and Home News from Britain; 9.15. At the Opera (Stravinsky) conducted by Igor Stravinsky conducting the Chorus and Orchestra of the Metropolitan Opera Association; 10.20. Vienna Symphony Orchestra; 10.30. In Chancery (BBC); 10.35. John Galsworthy Adapted for Radio by Muriel Levy Produced by Hugh Stewart (A Repeat of last Sunday's broadcast); 10.50. Weather Report; 11. Time Signal, Radio Newswel; 11.15. Goodnight Music; 11.30. Close Down.

REDIFFUSION

2 p.m. Variety Calls the Tune; 3. Romantic Cycles—Selections from "Me and Juliet"; 3.50. Novelties—Featuring the Airline Trio; 4.15. The Story of the Nightingale; 4.30. The Story of the Nightingale; 4.45. The Story of the Nightingale; 4.50. The Story of the Nightingale; 4.55. The Story of the Nightingale; 5.00. The Story of the Nightingale; 5.05. The Story of the Nightingale; 5.10. The Story of the Nightingale; 5.15. The Story of the Nightingale; 5.20. The Story of the Nightingale; 5.25. The Story of the Nightingale; 5.30. The Story of the Nightingale; 5.35. The Story of the Nightingale; 5.40. The Story of the Nightingale; 5.45. The Story of the Nightingale; 5.50. The Story of the Nightingale; 5.55. The Story of the Nightingale; 6.00. The Story of the Nightingale; 6.05. The Story of the Nightingale; 6.10. The Story of the Nightingale; 6.15. The Story of the Nightingale; 6.20. The Story of the Nightingale; 6.25. The Story of the Nightingale; 6.30. The Story of the Nightingale; 6.35. 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